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27th April 1905.

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ON MONDAY the 29th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece goods and the following:—

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Under instructions from the Administrator-General the effects of the late Mr. Dhoolsin Francis de Souza consisting of wearing apparel, trunk, etc.

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AT 2 P. M.

Several ladys' and gents' bicycles by different makers,
1 rubber tyred light victoria,
1 run about red vis-a-viz,
1 French polished office shigram,
1 glass front double seated brougham,
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered

ON SUNDAY, the 4th Prox, at 2 p.m, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Byculla, below the Byculla Bridge and next to Superintendent Nolan's bungalow and opposite the Gold Mohur Castle, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood household furniture, such as sliding dining table and chairs, sideboard with mirror, dinner waggon, drawing room suit of sofas and chairs lined plush, marble top tables and teapoys, drawing room side and corner cabinets revolving top office table and safes, iron safe, iron and brass single and double bedsteads, almyras, cupboards, dressing and washband tables, chest of drawers, Brussels and Cambay carpets, picture, glassware crockery and plated ware, ebonized symphonette brass bound square piano in good order, banjo by Rose, Singer's hand treadle machine, table ornaments, wind proof lamps etc., the property of O. M. P. CLYNE, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

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SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT RIPON ROAD.

Under instructions from Mr. N. C. Macleod, the Receiver appointed by the High Court, in Suit No. 165 of 1901 (Merwanji Hirji thamboat v. Framji Hirji Bamboat and others), and with the concurrence of the mortgagee Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell the undermentioned property by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of June, 1905, at 4 p. m. on the premises,

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

Firstly.—All that piece or parcel of fazendari land or ground situate, lying and being at Ripon Road (formerly known as Haines Road), without the Fort of Bombay, in the registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 132 1/2 ft. or thereabouts in length and 65 feet or thereabouts in breadth, together with all the houses, hereditaments, structures and buildings standing thereon, Assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under Ward E, Ward No. 4552, Street No. 41, which land and hereditaments are bounded on or towards the north by the Municipal water drain and beyond that partly by the property of Mubarak Pir Gubuns and partly by the property of Agi Mulla, on or towards the south by the vacant plot of Pirozsal, widow of Edulji Mehta, on or towards the east partly by the property of Abdulla Ahmed partly by the vacant plot of Khatri Noor Mahomed, partly by the property secondly described, and partly by the property fourthly described, and on or towards the west by the Municipal vacant plot.

Secondly.—All that piece or parcel of fazendari land or ground situate, lying and being at Ripon Road formerly known as Haines Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration District and Sub District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 40 feet in length and 20 feet in breadth, together with the dwelling-house, building and hereditaments standing thereon, Assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under Ward E, Ward No. 4554, and Street No. 43, and bounded on or towards the north by the property of Mubarak Pir Gubuns and on or towards the south by the piece of land hereinafter thirdly described, on or towards the east by a private passage and beyond that by the property hereinafter thirdly described, and on or towards the west by the property secondly described.

Thirdly.—All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground situate, lying and being at Ripon Road formerly known as Haines Road without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 70 feet or thereabouts in length, and 77 feet or thereabouts in breadth, together with the dwelling-house hereditaments and premises standing thereon, Assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under Ward E, Ward Nos. 4560, 4561 Street Nos. 49 (5) and bounded on or towards the north by the house of Allibhai Babaji Kasal, on or towards the south by the vacant plot of Pirozsbai, widow of Edulji Mehta, on or towards the East by the Municipal water drain, and on or towards the west by a private passage and beyond that partly by the vacant plot of Khatri Noor Mahomed partly by the property secondly described, and partly by the property fourthly described, and

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For further particulars and conditions of sale, application may be made to Messrs Unwalla and Peerozshaw, Attorneys for the Receiver and the mortgagee at their Office No 57, Medows Street, Fort, or to the undersigned.

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Bombay, 26th May, 1905.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
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AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 26th instant, at 4 p.m. sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the whole of the building materials of House Nos. 2425-28-27 and 29, Islampura Cross Lane and No. 1 Erskine Road and 2-1 Old Nagpada.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 3 p. m. Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc,

AT 1-30 P.M.

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On SUNDAY, the 28th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Love Lane, Mazagon, the very valuable and handsome, teak and black wood household furniture, rich glass crockery and plateware, mahogany dinning table and chairs, side board and dumbwaiters drawing-room sofas and chairs, large cabinet and table ornaments, hanging and table lamps by Hinks and Ditmar's, rich carpets, double and single barrel centre fire guns one nearly new ebonized cottage piano by Rose & Co., fancy jardiniers, rich pictures, one lot books, brass and iron double bedsteads, almyrahs, marble top dressing and washhand tables, cupboards, easy wellbred grey arab 14-1 hands, good trapper, and in sound condition, and one rubber tyred cabriolet complete with C. springs, a good monsoon trap, &c., &c., The property of C. W. Timmock Esq proceeding to Europe.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Itaura, 3262 tons, Captain C R Kendall, sailed yesterday for Rangoon with a general cargo.

THE steamer Director, 3168 tons, Captain H Bickerstaff sailed yesterday for Genoa and Liverpool, with a general cargo.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's steamer Firoze, sailed yesterday for Jeddah, with a general cargo and 12 deck passengers.

THE steamer Idar, 2916 tons, Captain D Milne, arrived in harbour on Wednesday, from Barry 29th April, with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lhasa, 911 tons, Captain H McDiarmid, sailed yesterday for the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and 27 cabin and 106 deck passengers.

THE Hans Line steamer Schoenfels, 3709 tons, Captain Y Denker, arrived in harbour yesterday from Hamburg, with a general cargo and one deck passenger.

THE Ship Union L Dique, 222 tons, Captain A Rault, arrived in harbour on the 24th instant from Seychelles, 12th April with a general cargo and cocoanut oil,

THE B I S N Co's steamer Okhla, 3436 tons, Captain H J Willsher, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta 9th May, with a cargo of 20000 cases kerosine oil and coal,

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's steamer Islami, 1604 tons, Captain Thos Hughes, arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from Jeddah 10th May, with 444 pilgrims as passengers.

THE Asiatic S N Co's steamer Nadir, 2241 tons, Captain J C Tollier, arrived in harbour on the 24th instant from Calcutta 20th April via Coast ports, with a general cargo and 9 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Madura, 1273 tons, Captain H Bamber, arrived in harbour yesterday from Busreh 8th May via Karachi, with a general cargo Mrs and Miss Kenedy as cabin and 101 deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line steamer Massilia, 3250 tons, Captain J Thomson, arrived yesterday from Liverpool 29th April, with a general cargo and the following passengers—Lieut K M Ball, Captain G G W Correl, Captain W Evans, DSO, Mrs M A Herbert, and infant, 2nd-Lt F M James, Miss L Jones, Lieut J E Parr, Lieut C V Wardell, Miss H A Williams, Miss G Williams, and Master C Williams.

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H M S Redbreast……Lt Comdr H G C …Somer Ville Cruiser
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Three Torpedo Boats……

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—MAY 25.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
India	3591	Forbes			M M & Co
Eden (bque)	414	Souton			The Captain
Alavia	2974	Pigot			E Tajbhoy
Surada	2490	Englid			M Mackenzie & Co
Hashemi	2179	Molony			B & P S N Co
Tientsin	2555	Goldsmith			P & O Co
Pasha	3839	Leftwich			T Morrison & Co
Arabia	3513	Cubitt			P & O Co
Housatonic	2562	Henry			B & P S N Co
Clara	2423	Fenwick			M M & Co
Shahnoor	2198	Davison			E Taj hoy
Flamingo	2150	Dunkley			Carry Bros
Jawada	2124	Hoigdon			M M & Co
Reighington	1721	Toft			Standard Oil Co
Barrsfield	2315	Mackenzie			Bombay Co
Union La Dique ship	222	Rault			H J Ayam
Idar	2916	Milne			Nixon & Co
Nadir	2241	Collier			T Morrison & Co
Islami	1604	Hughes			B & P S N Co
Okhla	3336	Wilsher			M M & Co
Schoenfels	3709	Denker			Glade & Co
Massilia	3250	Thomson			W & A Graham & Co
Madura	1273	Bamber			M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.
PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Date.	Agents.
A	Clan Mackenzie	1921	William	Kobe	3-6	E Tajbhoy
B	Clan Chattan	2200	Weir	N F	4-6	F Muir & Co
C&R	Kt Bachelor	4141	Finnis	M'seilles	3-6	T M & Co
D&E	Diego Suarez	2477	LeMond	Dunkirk	3-6	K N & Co
F	Zinnia	2339	Clarke	Hull	27-5	R A Wills
H	Prome	2250	Field	Marseilles	1-6	K Nixon & Co
K	Baron Inverdale	2140	Crokul	Hourg	5-6	W & A G Co
N	Polambali	2595	Melin	Barcelona	28-5	Halli Bros
O	Putiala	1929	Scott	Zanzibar	30-5	M M & Co
P	Aros Castle	2870	Day	Baltimore	27-5	M M & Co
Q	Naseri	911	Kemp	R S ports & Aden	27-5	B & P S N Co

P, D. H. W.

Satrunji	547	Ahmed	M Goa…27-8 Shpd & Co
Kaneri	733	Fakeera	Bhavnagar…27-5 Shpd & Co
Sabarmali	521	Ahmed	Karachi…27-5 Shpd & Co

P, D, M, D, D,

Lord Kelvin	2138	Beckerley	N F…W & A Graham & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Clan Stewart	2747	McPherson	Liverpool…27-5 M M & Co
2 Springwell	1597	Lowe	Liverpool…27-5 M M & Co
4 Morocco	2476	Boxhall	Kobi…26-5 F Muir & Co
6 Coromandel	2763	Montford	China…13-6 P & O Co
7 Imperator	2141	Mossa	Trieste…7-6 A L S N Co
8 China	2949	Zomanchi	China…28-4 A L Co
10&11 Sinda	3848	Summers	China…30-5 P & O Co
12 Arabia	4167	Leagh	London…27-5 P & O Co
14 Linga	918	Rickford	Busreh …26-5 M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

May	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
24	Union La Dique (ship)	Rault	Mauritius April 12
	Idar s	Milne	Barry April 23
	Nadir s	Tollier	Calcutta April 23
	Islami s	Hughes	Joddah May 10
25	R I M S Elphinstone	Balfour	Aden May 17
	Okhla s	Willsher	Calcutta May 9
	Schoenfels s	Denker	Hamburg
	Massilia s	Thomson	Liverpool April 29
	Madura s	Bamber	Busreh May 8
	Yarra s	Sellier	Marseilles

DEPARTURES.

May	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
25	Heath Craig s	Courtney	Amsterdam
	Uganda s	Cunningham	Calcutta
	Hyades s	Fisher	Hull
	Lhasa s	McDiarmid	Persian Gulf
	R I M S Dufferin s	Piffard	Karachi
	Director s	Bickerstaff	Liverpool &c
	Firoze s	Watson	Joddah
	Itaura s	Kendall	Rangoon &c

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Massilia for Liverpool &c
,, Madura for Persian Gulf &c
,, Nadir for Calcutta &c

CALCUTTA.
DEPARTURES.

May	Vessels	Names.	From
21	Boscombe	W Wismom	Hongkong
	Goa	S Maclahlan	Rangoon
	Byculla	J F Crookston	Moulmein
	Santhia	R Phillips	Colombo
	Schwarzenfels	A Volkmann	Rangoon
	India	F Tosonie	Rangoon
22	Mozaffari	T L Maloney	Bomay
	Darius	P Sutherland	Melbourne
	Regina	…..	Aden
	Singu	G W Currie	Rangoon
	Glenafric	J Craig	Aden

ARRIVALS.

23	Ockenfels	G D Birks	H'burg & Hull
	Manor	T H James	…..

MADRAS.
ARRIVALS.

May	Vessel.	From
18	Cromorty	London
22	Matiana	Calcutta
23	Clan Macdonald	Liverpool

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Anchor Line steamer Olympia arrived at Liverpool from Bombay on the morning of the 24th instant.

ADEN, MAY 25.

The P and O Co's steamer Peninsular with the homeward Mails of the 20th instant arrived here at 6-30 a.m. yesterday.

SUEZ, MAY 25,

The P and O Co's steamer Marmora with the outward Mails of the 19th instant left here at 5-30 a.m. yesterday.

HONGKONG, MAY 25,

The P and O Co's steamer Pekin left Moji yesterday morning and may be expected to arrive at Singapore on the 5th June.
The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Nippon, from Bombay arrived at Hongkong on the morning of the 24th instant.

DIVINE SERVICE.

The blessing of a New Marble Cross, erected at Bholwada Near North Gate Government House, Parel, by a Catholic Resident of Dadar, will take place at 5-30 p.m., to-morrow followed by Rosary and Litany of B, V, Mary.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white or falling off use, The Mexican Hair Renewer, for it will positively restore in every case grey or white hair to its original colour without leaving the disagreeable smell of more Restorers, It makes the hair charmingly beautiful as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots where the glands are not decayed. Ask your Chemists for The Mexican Hair Renewer. Sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere. Wholesale Depot, 23, Farringdon Road, London, England.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, MAY 24.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	90 1/4	=	unchanged
3 do. Routes	99 3/4	=	+ 1/4
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loans	£100	=	unchanged
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	85 7/8	=	+ 1/16

SILVER—

Spot in London	27 5/16	=	+ 1/4
2 months hence	26 3/4	=	unchanged
Spot in New York	59 1/4	=	+ 1/2

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25-18 1-2	=	unchanged
Berlin ,,	20-48 1-2	=	+ 1-4
New York Demand	4-87 1/4	=	unchanged

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	2 1/2 per cent	=	unchanged
3 months sight Bank bills	2 1/8 per cent	=	do
3 ,, ,, ,,	2 1/8 per cent	=	do
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills	2 1/2 per cent	=	do
3 months sight Fine Trade Bills	2 1/2 per cent	=	do
3 ,, ,, ,,	2 5/8 per cent	=	do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	1 3/8 per cent	=	— 3/8
7 day market loans	1 1/8 per cent	=	— 1/8

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £150,000.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 14 1 1/2 done, tone firm

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5s 8d done

WHEAT—
Red Karachi 29 sellers, tone quiet

RAPESEED—
Yellow Guzerat 42 sellers
Yellow Cawnpore 42 sellers
Brown 38 1/4 sellers
Tone easier

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 12 1/2 done tone firmer

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 7 7/8—1/8

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 3,00,000 were allotted to Calcutta

Rs. 4,20,000		
Rs. 12,80,000	do	Bombay
Rs. 4,40,000	do	Madras
21,20,000		

At 1s. 3 31/32d.

Minimum rate received 11 per cent.

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs. …..	were allotted to	Calcutta,
Rs. 8,20,000	do	Bombay
Rs. …..	do	Madras
8,20,000		

At 1s. 4d.

Minimum rate received 14 per cent,
Total amount sold during the week Rs. 20,00,000
Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 30,00,000
Extra allotments Bills on Bombay Rs. 1,00,000 at 1s 41

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet, East Indian steady. Manchester firm. Total sales 10,000 bales. Spot 4·58 plus 8 Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 unchgd. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,000 bales. Imports 11,000 bales. Futures closed firm.

May-June	June-July	July-Aug.
4·44	4·44	4·45
+9	+9	+9
Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.
4·46	4·47	4·47
+9	+9	+9
Nov.-Dec	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.
4·48	4·48	4·49
+9	+9	+9

Receipts at U S Ports ..... 20,000 bales
Do last year ..... 3,730 do
Exports to Great Britain ..... 4,000 do
Do do Continent ..... Nihil

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	8·65	+ 10
Futures, month of July	8·17	+ 2 a
Do do December	8·26	+ 1 b

a Advanced owing to reports of crop damage.
b Advanced owing to dally weather reports show too much rain.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	8·18	+ 3 16
Futures, month of August	8·17	+ 2
Do. do. November	8·25	+ 1
Tone at close	barely steady.	

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Wednesday, 24th May 1905 :—

Cotton	5,334 bales.
Wheat	39,513 cwts.
Linseed	27,913 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	3,118 do
Gingelly seed	71 do
Poy (pyseed	4,8 5 do
Groundnuts	726 do
Castorseed	731 do
Rice	2,122 do
Myrabolams	1,146 do
Cottonseed	8,479 do
Mowrasee	133 do
Gram	2,333 do
Jowar	7,073 do
Maize	nil

BOMBAY, MAY 25.

Exchange—Tone steady	Is. 3 31-32d.
Bank Demand do.	Is. 3 31-32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A. do.	Is. 4 1-8d.
Do. 6 do. do.	Is. 4 7-32d. to 3-16d.
French Francs 3 do. do.	169 1-2
Marcks 3 do. do.	137 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight	133 1 2
Shanghai 30 do.	194 1-2
Japan 30 do.	149 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone quiet.

Cash	99-10
1st Settlement	99
2nd do	98 7

Money Market, Tone quiet but steady.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 9th March	2 1-2	per cent.	
Bank of Bombay do. 14th April	5	do.	
Bank of Bengal do. 28th April	4	do.	
Bank of Madras do. 11th May	5	do.	

SEEDS.

LINSEED—Tone firmer.

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Ready business done	7	6	0	
Forward Sattah May	7	6	6	
do September	7	13	0	

RAPESEED—Tone quiet.

Brown Cawnpore, Ready	6	9	0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	7	2	0
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	7	4	0

POPPYSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	7	13	0

CASTORSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	28	0	0

WHEAT.—Tone firmer.

White Delhi ready	4	12	0	per cwt.
Do. Do forward	4	11	0	do.
Jubbulpore, Pessi	30	0	0	per candy

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—steady.
Estimated sales ..... 8,000 bales
Imports ..... 17,000 ,,

May-June	June-July	July-Aug
4·47	4·47	4·48
+3	+3	+3
Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov
4·49	4·50	4·50
+3	+3	+3
Nov-Dec.	Dec-Jan.	Jan-Feb.
4·51	4·51	4·52
+3	+3	+3

COTTON.—The continued firmness in the Home markets, and reports of bad weather in America, are causing a very steady feeling locally. Prices are advancing and quotations to-day are Rs. 2 to 3 higher all round. There is a fair demand from exporters and mills, and at Colaba a moderate business has been done at full rates.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal, H.-G. (Ry. terms)			175	165
Bengals M. G. (Ry. terms)			180	170
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)			185	175
Oomrawutte (descriptions)	M.-G.		189	182
Khandeish, (M.-G.)			180	174
Julgaum (M.-G.)			182	176
Khanggaum, fair staple	(M.-G.)		191	184
Akola do.	(M.-G.)			
Oomra good staple	(M.-G.)		201	194
Dhamangaum Poolgaum	(M.-G.)		193	187
Nagpur Kamptee	(M.-G.)		198	192
Broach	(M.-G.)		207	205
Bhownugger	(M.-G.)		195	188
Do	(H.-G.)		192	185
Dharwar	(S.-G.)		214	
Westerns			195	

25th May

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MAY 24.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed	quiet
Beads	steady
Good showwanger	¼
The Manchester Market has been	firm
2 1/2 per cent Consols	93 1/4
3 per cent Rentes	99 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Sterling Loan	105
3 1/2 per cent Rupee Papers	85 7/8
Bar silver	27 5/16

The sum of about £150,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

TRADE WITH JAPAN.

Trade with Japan is developing, and in addition to cotton, considerable quantities of wheat and barley have been shipped during the past few months. From the cotton, Japan is supplying manufactured goods as well as those for, which that country is famous. Mr. Vivian R. Bowden, Managing Director of Messrs. Bowden, Brothers and Co., Limited, Australia and Japan is at present visiting India, and firms desirous of extending their connection with either of those countries cannot do better than take the opportunity of discussing business with him during his stay here. He can be heard of care of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATH and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional lines CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

BALARAM—May 23, at 5 p.m. at Bombar, Krishnabai, only daughter of Rao Bahadur Khapa Balaram. Funeral took place on the 24th instant at her father's residence at Balaram Street, Grant Road.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

PARRY—May 16, at Buxar, the wife of Major E R Parry Indian Medical Service, of a daughter.
HIGH—May 18, at Bhavnagar Para, the wife of Walter J High, of a daughter.
HUMFREY—May 19, at Waverley Mukrer, the wife of Captain F G C Humfrey, 12th Cavalry, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

STONE—WATSON—April 25, at the Residence of the bride's father Northdown, Tasmania, by the Rev Canon de Coetlogon, Captain William Richard Stone, Indian Army, Burma Commission, eldest son of the Very Rev W H Stone, Dean of Kilmore, Co Cavan, Ireland, to Kathleen, third daughter of Major General Watson, Bengal Staff Corps, (Retired.)
SIMS—HIGGINS—March 20, at the Baptist Mission Church, Calcutta, By the Rev J Rook, Edward Arthur, eldest son of the late Edward Sims, Solicitor, High Court, Calcutta, to Theresa Mabel, eldest daughter of the late T F Higgins, Pleader Chief Court, Lahore Punjab.

DEATHS.

MACPHERSON—May 19, at Dunga Gali, Kennedy Colin Andrew, infant son of Mr and Mrs Colin Macpherson, aged 3 months and 13 days
HODGES—May 17, at E st Hopetown Estate, Dehra Dun, suddenly of heart failure, Edwin Wilbert Hodges, aged 53 years
WALL—May 18, at Johannesburg, South Africa, Stephen Dalby Wall, son of the late Joseph Wall, La Martiniere, Lucknow, aged 41 years.

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AN OPEN VERDICT.—Yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner for Bombay, held an inquest at Mustan's Tank, Bellasis Road touching the death of a Mahomedan lad, name unknown, aged 22, and of a rong build. Baloo Yasoo, a police-havaldar, deposed that he saw the body, face downwards floating in the Tank. The body was naked and bore no marks of violence. An open verdict of death by drowning was recorded.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—On Tuesday at about 2-30 p.m, jolly boat No. 2880, in charge of Tindal Abdool Razak Saikh Hassan was sailing from Malet to Apollo Bunder, when owing to the high wind prevalent then the boat capsized, and the crew were thrown into the sea, but they were immediately rescued by a passing jolly boat, and were landed safely ashore. Fortunately no lives were lost, and no damage sustaine to the boat.

SHIKAR AT PALANPUR.—It is gratifying to learn that Prince Zabardustkhan Sahib who went on a shikar expedition to the Danta State has killed a panther by the first shot on the evening of the 22nd instant. He is a very good-shot and deserves credit for it. It is a very singular thing that the goat that was tied up for the beast was quite uninjured. The Prince is still away on shooting in the jungles of Danta District, and is a guest of the Maharana Sahib of Danta who treats him very cordially.

A CONFIRMED FEMALE THIEF.—At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Sullivan charged Dwarkabai a Hindu woman, who had five previous convictions against her, with the theft of three annas, the property of one Talia Rama. The accused was arrested yesterday morning, in the fish market at Null Bazar, while removing the money from complainant's coat pocket. The accused pleaded guilty and was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for 21 months, two months of which to be in solitary confinement.

ILLICIT SALE OF COCAINE.—Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate yesterday, Inspector Bomonji Parekh, Abkari Department, charged Sukhdev Shivshanker, a Pardeshi, with selling cocaine without a licence. It was stated that the accused was a servant of Hurji, Mulji and Co., druggists. On receiving certain information Mr. Parekh gave marked money to one Allu and told him to purchase cocaine from the accused. Allu accordingly purchased three drachms of cocaine from him for Rs. 18. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 or in default, to undergo two months' further imprisonment.

A TRAMWAY CONDUCTOR CHARGED WITH ASSAULT :—Yesterday at the Esplanade Police Court before Mr. Kersondas Chubildas, Ram Gulab Luxmon Prasad, a tramway conductor, was charged with assaulting Shah Mahomed Chand Mahomed, Mr. Khalil, barrister-at-law, appeared for the complainant, and Mr. B. J. Dhondi for the defence. The complainant, a butcher, stated that about 8 45 p. m., on the 16th inst., he was riding in a tram car to Apollo Bunder. When the car came to the Prince of Wales's statue, a Portuguese got into the car, and the conductor the accused, began to tease him. The Portuguese asked the complainant to intercede on his behalf, when the latter told the accused to desist from molesting the passenger. The accused thereupon abused complainant, and upon his remonstrating with him, set upon him and slapped him. There were two other tramway servants, each of whom held the complainant by his hands while the accused assaulted him. The car was stopped; a police sepoy was called; and the complainant and his witnesses were taken to a Police Inspector at the Esplanade police station. The complainant said his witnesses were driving in a mail phaeton alongside the tram car and witnessed the assault. At the close of the case for the prosecution, Mr. Khalil informed the Court that the accused gave an unqualified apology and compensated the complainant in Rs. 25 and the charge was thereupon allowed to be compounded.

A KOKNI MOHAMMEDAN WEDDING.—A very largely attended gathering of close upon 1,000 was held on Monday night, the 22nd inst., writes a correspondent on the happy occasion of the marriage of the daughter of Mr. Abdul Rehman Jitaykar son of the late lamented Moulvi Abdul Kadir Jitaykar, J. P. a landed proprietor, at his residence at Jamli Mohalla when "Maulai Sharif" was recited at which time shawls were presented to Khan Saheb Kazi Mohammed Ali Murghay, Kazi of Bombay Mr. Captain, solicitor, Mr. Mohammed Ismail Mumtulay the late tutor of the bride and to others. Among those present were Kazi Mohammed Ali Murghay, the Vice-Consul for Turkey, the Agent to the Amir of Kabul, Khan Bahadur Abdul Razaq bin Curtas, Khan Saheb Gulam Husein Regvy, Moulvi Abdulla Ahmed Moulavi Abdul Munim Bakza, Mulla Mohammed Younus Khateeb Mahmood S. Khalib, Mohommed Ismail Hafiz Syed Moinuddin, Syed Ebrahim, Syed Ahmed Mohammed Ismail Kur Syed Gulam Mohammed Rafal Munshi Abdul Karim Muddarris and other gentlemen belonging to various sects of the Mohammedan community. On the night of the 23rd inst., at about 9 P.M. a tea party was held which was also very largely attended. Next night there was a Pan Gulab party to which Europeans Parsis Hindus and others were invited which having been over, the solemnisation of the Nikah ceremony was performed by Khan Saheb Kazi Mohammed Ali Murghay after which Messrs. Mulla Mohammed Younus Khalib and Munshi Abdulkarim read poems specially composed for the occasion and they were hailed with satisfaction by the audience. Then Mr. Abdul Rehman Jitaykar gave a donation of Rs. 50 to the Anjuman-I-Ahbab of which Mr. Munshi Abdul Karim is the Secretary. A grand dinner party was given yesterday afternoon between 4 and 6 P.M. when the bridegroom will dine with a very large number of persons.

MARCKS AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE twentieth annual general meeting of Messrs. Marcks and Company, Limited, was held last evening at the registered office, Esplanade Road, Mr. Geo. McKenzie, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding. The following report of the Directors was presented :—

"The Directors have pleasure in submitting the twentieth annual balance-sheet and statement of profit and loss showing the result of the Company's operations for the year ending 28th February, 1905. The Company's stock as usual has been carefully taken by the staff of assistants, and has been verified by the General Manager allowances having been made for all goods, which are considered to have depreciated in value. The amount available for distribution, including balance from last year is Rs. 63,647-12-0 and your Directors recommend that it should be distributed as follows :—(I) Depreciation of furniture, fixtures and workmen's tools Rs. 1,000. (II.) Dividend at Rs. 10 per share free of income-tax Rs. 40 000 (III.) Fund for equalization of dividend Rs. 10,000 (IV.) Reserve fund Rs. 10,000 (V.) Balance to be carried to next year Rs. 2 647-12. total Rs. 63 647 12, The dividend to be paid on and after Monday, the 26th June, 1905. Under Section 91 of the articles of Association of the Company, one of the Directors, Mr. Alex. McKenzie retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election. Mr. F. L. McAfee the Company's auditor also retires from office, but is eligible for re-election."

The Chairman in addressing the meeting said he was very well pleased to place before the shareholders a most satisfactory account of last year's operations, and was glad to say that the Company stood at present in a very unique position. Its reserve funds were now equal to its capital; and the scheme the Directors had in view was to give to the position of the Company that which no other Joint Stock Company in Bombay had aspired to do. No doubt in the future they would, instead of carrying large sums to the reserve fund, dispose of their profits in larger dividends.

The Directors report and the audited accounts were approved adopted, and confirmed. A dividend of 10 per cent, free of income-tax, was declared. Mr. Alexander McKenzie, one of the Directors who retired by rotation, was re-elected a Director Mr. F. L. McAfee was appointed auditor for the ensuing year on a remuneration of Rs. 300 per annum. It was resolved that a sum of money equal to one month's pay be distributed among the employes of the Company as the General Manager might recommend and the Directors approved. Thanks were accorded to the Directors and the General Manager for the able manner in which they had conducted the affairs of the Company.

THE PUNJAB EARTHQUAKE FUND.

The following further subscriptions to the Punjab Earthquake Relief Fund were received by the Bank of Bombay :—

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The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1905.

THE RAJPUTANA STATES.

SIR ARTHUR Martindale's reports on the administration of the Rajputana Agency and Ajmer-Merwara came to hand this week. The former shows that prices were low and the movement of food-grains by rail indicated returning prosperity. In the detailed accounts of the various Native States we find mention, among the most important events, of the investiture of the Maharaja of Ulwar with ruling powers, and the record of the fact that maladministration rendered it necessary to bring the Banswara and Tonk States under the close supervision of the political authorities with a view to check abuses and to the introduction of reforms. A loan was granted by the Government of India to the Jaisalmer Durbar to extricate the State from its financial embarrassments, and owing to the involved condition of the Bhumat Chiefs of Mewar the Government of India granted remissions of a portion of the Government loans due by each of these petty Chiefs and placed the Jura Chiefships under the immediate control of the Assistant Political Superintendent at Kotra. Substantial progress was made in reducing the liabilities of the Jodhpur State, and improving its administration and the last remaining debts of the Dholpur State were paid off. Marked progress was made during the year in connection with protective irrigation works. In twelve Nr" irrigation projects were carried out by the Superintending Engineer deputed for protective irrigation works in Rajputana, while in eight other States similar surveys were undertaken at their own cost and through their own agencies. The Railway Chord line from Rewari to Phalera, which was sanctioned in 1903 was commenced. Arrangements were made by the Jaipur Durbar for the purchase of the requisite permanent way materials for the Sawai-Madhopur Railway. The survey of the Nagda-Muttra project, which will open up an immense fertile tract of country, was undertaken. Interest in mining operations is increasing and applications were received during the year from several quarters for mining and prospecting leases. Agricultural Banks, which were started experimentally in the States of Bharatpur and Kishangarh, are believed to be gaining in popularity.

Turning over the detailed reports of the several Political Officers, we find with regard to Mewar it is reported that owing to the multitudinous and varied miscellaneous duties devolving upon his Highness, and the work of every Department of the State having to pass through the hands of Kothari Balwant Singh, the result is not satisfactory. Several attempts have been made to persuade his Highness to appoint a responsible Diwan, or, if this is distasteful, that he should appoint a Council composed of heads of departments, each head being directly responsible to the Maharana for the work of his department. So far, his Highness has merely agreed to give authority to his two ministerial officers to dispose of all ordinary references: but as this arrangement brings no relief to Kothari Balwant Singh, who is admittedly overworked, no marked improvement in the disposal of business is noticed. The only thing that can be said for the administration, remarks the Political Officer, is that it does not appear to be generally unpopular. In Dungarpur, we learn, nearly all the Jaghirdars are financially in great straits, the result of famine and of their personal extravagance. A detailed inquiry into their condition will shortly be made in the case of those jaghirs which are managed by the State as the Court of Wards. Some of the other Jaghirdars may also desire that an arrangement should come to with their conditions, through the medium of the State. Kishangarh State presents a different aspect of affairs. It has been well managed and no serious crimes have been reported. The Rao has appointed a few experienced officials to assist in the administration, "which is not as in Banswara, crippled with debt." On the other hand, the affairs of Jura are declared to be in hopeless confusion and never likely to be better until the interference and supervision of the Assistant Political Superintendent is authorised.

There seems to be hope for Khetri, for we are told that the chief event of that State lies in the fact that the Raja and his mother who have for many months been residing in Jodhpur territory have recently come to live in the Khetri house at Jaipur. The Raja "who is twelve years old is a bright, intelligent boy and a promising rider. He is at present being taught Hindi and English by a private tutor and has made fair progress." In Kishangarh, the discovery of the rare minerals, sodalite and concramite is recorded, and it is believed that they have never before been met with in India. Beyond these, however, aquamaruca and mica of good quality have also been found, and a rough geological survey of the State is being made that its mineral wealth may be approximately calculated. Tonk reports negociations for the Gwalior State to purchase the Chobra section of the Guna-Baran Railway and, in this way, it is hoped to wipe off completely the debt of upwards of fourteen lakhs owed by the Tonk State to Gwalior. During the past year the State established a Council which has superseded the office of the Prime Minister, and closer association of the Political Agent in the administration of the State was sanctioned by the Imperial Government, so a system of administration on these lines was tentatively introduced from the end of July 1903. Despite the absence of cordial co-operation on the part of his Highness the Nawab, remarks the Political Officer, the new administrative system has proved eminently effective during its first eight months of existence in securing the limitation of expenditure to the budgeted allotments and in preventing administrative abuses and in securing a purer and more virile administration. Shahpura rejoices in the discovery of garnet mines in two of its villages. Kota has to lament the effects of extraordinary expenditure consequent on the Delhi Durbar and the Viceregal visit, also upon the repayment to the Gwalior Durbar of outstanding charges in connection with the construction of the Kota section of the Bina-Baran Railway. The Mayo College is also reported upon in the volume sent from Rajputana, and we learn from Mr. Waddington that only one case of serious misconduct has to be noted, and except for a few cases of idleness and irregularity of attendance, the general behaviour of the boys has given no cause for dissatisfaction, and the Principal believes that a healthy and manly tone has everywhere prevailed. The section of the report dealing with Ajmer-Merwara shows the estates under the control of the Commissioner to have been well managed and the results generally to have been satisfactory.

ABOLITION OF TORTURE IN CHINA.

THE difference between Western civilisation in the middle ages and present day Chinese civilisation has never been very marked, but the abolition of torture in China will alter all this and is, in fact, the first real step towards Western civilisation taken by the Chinese. In China, under the old order, nothing could be more humane than the theory of justice; nothing more cruel than the practice. In theory, no man could be punished unless he confessed his guilt, and he had to sign his own death warrant. In practice, he was tortured until he confessed, and was then punished for a crime which, in many cases, he never committed. The distinction between torture and punishment was a fine one, and adapted to the subtlety of the Chinese intelligence. A correspondent, in a home contemporary, gives a graphic description of a Chinese place of justice only a few months ago. It was summer weather, and one side of the building was entirely open to the courtyard through which the building was entered. In this courtyard were about twenty criminals in various stages of dirt and dilapidation. Some were in stocks, some had each thumb suspended by a string to a beam, so that they knelt with out-stretched arms like scarecrows; all had their hair unshaven and matted, and their faces so caked with dust as to have lost the look of humanity. Inside the court-house benches behind long desks, just as they do in England; the only difference was that they wore gorgeous silks and drowsily drank tea from little China basins to while away the afternoon. After some conversation the Chief Judge called for case No. 19. A pitiful figure came in, dragging his shackles heavily over the floor, and knelt on the far side of the desk. Then the judge leat over the desk, and glaring angrily through his spectacles at the cowering creature in front of him, told him the story of his crime, which the prisoner must have heard ad nauseam, since he had been in that Court for two years. After some preliminaries, an attendant went for the implements of torture. A little stool was brought to which the prisoner's hand was tied palm upwards, and then the bamboo was brought down with vigour upon the poor wretch's wrist. He howled lugubriously, but made no signs of confession. This man had been in prison for two years and still had not confessed. It is an enormous charge to do away with the practice of torture which is the most important feature of this kind of justice. For centuries, justice has been a complete failure in China. The innocent are tortured, while the guilty escape and, although there are infinitely more capital punishments in China than in any other country in the world, brigandage flourishes now as ever it did from the Hun-hu-tses in Manchuria to the pirates in the Canton River.

THE TASMANIAN LOTTERY KING.

MR. GEORGE ADAMS, who started turf-lotteries in New South Wales, died a very rich man. The Government of that State objected to his lotteries when they had grown into a big thing and legislated vigorously against them. Mr. Adams moved on to Queensland, where he was also successful from his point of view, but the Legislature contrived that he should move on by making lotteries illegal business. He then went to Hobart in Tasmania and there he was thoroughly appreciated, and did a roaring trade in "race consultations," not only with the sanction of the Tasmanian Government, but under its supervision. He established lotteries of 100,000 tickets on each of the principal horse-races in the States. The tickets were five-shilling ones, the first prize was £7,500, and there were hundreds of other prizes ranging down to £5. On the last Melbourne Cup there was a lottery of 100,000 ten-shilling tickets, and five others of the same number of five-shilling tickets. Ten per cent. of the amount realised was deducted for expenses and profit by Mr. Adams, not a bad share. On the ten-shilling lottery he would thus get £5,000 to defray expenses and pay himself and the same proportion or the others. The State got a licence fee and a tax of a penny a ticket. Mr. Adams left by will a large part of his large accumulations to his staff and also remembered the members of the Tasmanian Legislature, who assisted him in securing State recognition for the lottery. It is not known how much his estate was valued at, the "good-will" alone must have been a large item for his executors carry on the lottery as before.

LOADS OF IRON.

MEXICO has many strange things, that nature or the art of its ancient inhabitants have endowed it with. Perhaps an iron hill which rises a short distance from Durango, called the Cerro Mercado is as singular as any. The hill is about three hundred feet high with some peaks a third as high again. It is over a mile and a third long, a third of a mile wide, and it largely consists of solid iron ore. It is not a picturesque hill, for it is not only bare of vegetation, but presents a black contrast to the natural yellows and greens of the Mexican plain. It is calculated that there is ore in sight in this hill that would weigh 360,000,000 tons. And how far below the level of the plain the iron enters into the soil no man can tell, for up to the present, explorations have not found a limit. There were people who believed that this hill was a giant meteorite and searchings of its heart for gold and silver were frequent but unavailing. Practical iron workers five years ago did the wise thing of erecting plant for the extraction of iron from the ore, close to the mountain and the result is a steady output of metal.

THE COUNTY CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE defeat of Yorkshire by the Australians, although having no bearing on the County Championship is perhaps the most interesting result of those wired by Reuter to-day. If any county was regarded as having a chance of lowering the colours of the Colonials it was Yorkshire; but, as will be seen from the telegram the Tykes were handsomely beaten by 174 runs. The defeat of Notts by Gloucestershire by the substantial margin of eight wickets shows that the western county must have improved greatly since last season. This is Notts' first reverse so far in the Championship. Lancashire has beaten Worcestershire by 97 runs, or twice as many runs as the Tykes beat the same county last week. To be beaten by only 90 and 40 runs respectively by two counties like Yorkshire and Lancashire is distinctly creditable to cricket in Worcestershire. Sussex has beaten Leicestershire by an innings and eighteen runs and Essex has beaten Derbyshire by an innings and one run, both of which results are somewhat surprising, as neither Sussex nor Essex had been doing well. The matches between Kent and the M. C.C. and Ground, and Oxford University and the Gentlemen of England have not much interest, but that between Surrey and Warwickshire which was drawn is the second drawn game the latter county has played this season.

It is notified that Government will assemble at Poona, on Monday, the 12th June.

THE Simla hydro-electric scheme is now before the Government of India for final disposal.

THERE has been a decrease of almost 5,000 in the mortality from plague in the Punjab last week, the numbers dropping to about 25,000.

THE doubling of the North-Western Railway between Samasata and Robri will probably not be completed before the middle of next summer.

IT is calculated that there will be a very large export of wheat from Karachi this summer, though the figures of last year are not likely to be approached; they form a record in the trade of the port.

THE Royal Indian Marine steamer Dufferin Commander A. J. G. Pitford, R. I. M., which sailed yesterday for Karachi, with the 21st Punjabis After landing the regiment at the above port, she returns to Bombay on the 30th instant.

AN Official preliminary return for 1904 gives the export of manganese ore from India as 154,880 tons against an average of 147,950 tons for the three years preceding. The industry is still developing notably in the Central Provinces, where prospecting and mining operations are very active at the present time.

A CASE of instantaneous death from plague was recently reported from Rangoon. A correspondent now writes from Aligarh:—It may interest you, and perhaps, others, to know that several exactly similar cases have occurred lately in this District to natives. It appears to be the newest and most terrible form of plague, for apparently those who died from it were in perfect health up to within a few seconds of their death. No illness nor warning of any kind. Five of the cases mentioned to me were of men walking in the main street of a large town, when they suddenly dropped down dead.

WITH reference to a newspaper paragraph stating that the Kabuli who jumped out of the running train conveying Sirdar Inayatulla has been rewarded and promoted by the Amir a lawyer-correspondent of a Bengali paper raises the question, whether a terrible miscarriage of justice has not been committed on the part of the British Government. The correspondent quotes chapter and verse from the Time Table, and shows that the Kabuli ought to have been prosecuted and fined Rs. 20 for jumping off a train in motion.

THE following may be regarded as a tentative list of probable starters for the Derby arranged alphabetically:—Lord Rosebery's Cicero, M. Blanc's Jardy, Mr. L. Neumann's Llangibby, Mr. A. Belmont's Lord Hastings, Sir F. Johnstone's Plum Centre, Lord Crewe's Polymelus, Mr. R. H. Heaning's Rogue Croix, Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Shilfa, Chevalier E. Ginistrelli's Signorino, Captain J. Orr-Ewing's Thrush, M. Blanc's Val d'Or, and Mr. W. De Wend-Fenton's Vedas. The total number of entries for the Derby this year amounts to 130, but in all the long list it is difficult to discover a single name outside the foregoing dozen which can be regarded as a probable.

THE Calcutta Port Commissioners' Budget Estimates for the present year have been framed on a liberal scale, over 3 1-2 lakhs being set aside for still further reductions in the charges for jetties and docks. This, with the lowering of rates already made in previous years, has brought down the Port Commissioners' estimate of income by 8 3-4 lakhs a year. In addition to these "concessions" it may be noted that the Capital Budget provides for over 47 3-4 lakhs on new works, besides one lakh on a self-contained gas light vessel and a new survey steamcutter. To obtain the funds necessary for present and future expenditure charged to the capital account, the Commissioners propose to raise a debenture loan of Rs. 83,87,044.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending May 23rd was 1,279, giving a death-rate of 85·70 per annum per thousand as against 45·98 the corresponding period of last year, and 61·72 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 37 died from fevers; 577, plague; 34, small-pox; 36, measles; 49, phthisis; 56, diseases of the nervous system; 204 affections of the respiratory organs; 66, diarrhœa; 23, dysentery; 36, still-born; 94, old age and debility; 8, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 66; Brahmin, 35; Lingaet, 2; Bhattia, 7; Hindu of other caste, 658; Hindu low caste, 196; Musalman, 246; Parsee, 28; Jew, 5; Native Christian, 30; European, 5; and Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 318 as against 339 the corresponding period of last year, and 376 the average over the past five years.

NEW BOOKS.

FREE OPINIONS OF MARIE CORELLI. (Archibald Constable & Co., Ltd.) These views of the distinguished authoress, who fears no foe in the form of critic or any other man, are given on certain phases of modern social life and conduct. Many of the papers have appeared before in England, and the United States, "The Soul of the Nation," however, appears for the first time, and expresses the feelings aroused in Miss Corelli's mind by the accusation of "certain people, whose brains must be of that peculiar density, which is incapable of receiving even the impression of a shadow of commonsense," that the writer meant in her essay on "Pagan London" to attack all the clergy. She takes the opportunity to have a fling at the replies to the query "Do we believe," published in a London Daily and at its success in obtaining free "copy," by starting "a public discussion on the religious faith of this Christian Empire." Says Miss Corelli:—

"Nothing more reprehensible has ever smirched the career of an English Journal than the fact that it should have lent itself to the advertised questioning of the nation's religious faith. It was an open flaunting of infidelity in the face of the civilised world. . . No real follower of a Faith—any Faith would be so lost to every sense of decency as to discuss it in a daily newspaper. . . A penny paper is not the Hall of Pontius Pilate. The sons of Israel have asked a question—and some of the unwise among professing Christians bring caught in the Israelitish trap, have answered it."

And then Miss Marie Corelli, while delivering her soul on thd subject, proceeds to search for the "innate spirit of Revivalism." Winding up her paper on "The Madness of Clothes," the gifted writer, declares that

"there is no more mischievous wickedness in society to-day than the flamboyant, exuberant willful extravagance of women's dress. It has far exceeded the natural and pretty vanity of permissible charm, good taste and elegance. It has become a riotous waste—an ugly disease of moral principle ending at last in the disgrace and death" of many, a woman's good name."

The "Advance of Woman" and "Coward Adam" are essays that show the writer's animus against the monster man. She does not spare her own sex, but her criticism of woman is gentleness itself compared to the bitter things she has to say about the sons of Adam. Marie Corelli may certainly claim for these "opinions" that they are frank and free. She should publish some papers in which she would as piquantly commend any proceedings of the human race that have met with her approval. The points might be few, but they would encourage the men and women of her nation of which she is at once a distinguished member and a stern judge. The book will certainly be read.

THE CLUB OF QUEER TRADES by Gilbert K. Chesterton (George Bell and Sons). Whoever wants a laugh over a tissue of impossibilities made to seem part and parcel of the every day experiences of a few choice spirits should read this book. The eccentric Club, some of whose doings are told in the six stories here elaborated, required as a condition of membership that the candidate should have invented the method by which he earned his living. But the trade had to be a new one, not a variety of an old one. The teller of the stories came upon the Club in his general search for novelty in clubs; he had "a mania for belonging to as many societies as possible." I may be said to collect clubs, and I have accumulated a vast and fantastic variety of specimens ever since in my audacious youth. I collected the Athenæum. . . But the finding of the Club of Queer Trades has one very curious thing about it. The most curious thing about it is that it was not discovered by me: it was discovered by my friend Basil Grant, a star-gazer, a mystic, and a man who scarcely stirred out of his attic."

Mr. Chesterton in his six stories illustrating the doings of the queer members of this odd club is delightfully irresponsible and gay. Basil Grant, the decidedly mad—fortunately retired—judge who figures in the tales is a most frank old rebel against rational thought and rejoices in foolish adventures. The author apparently let his pen obey the behests of a mad moment and it jotted down every wild thought that his brain harboured without any attempt at consistency. The consequence is a kind of chaotic fantastic jumble, not without charm, but banishing all serious thought or expectation of sense. "The Fall of a Great Reputation" promises well, and distinctly interests until, as the pages fly over, the reader realises that there is no ground for the graphic description given of the person whose actions he has been vigorously watching and the tale fizzles out in the most disappointing way. "The Awful Reason of the Vicar's Visit" is less ambitious and is better worked out and so is. "The Adventure of Major Brown" in which there lurks a decidedly clever idea in making him the victim of another man's story. Mr. Chesterton would succeed admirably in his comic sketches, if he took them more seriously. He does such excellent fooling by starts that it is a pity he is not consistent. The book is, for all its faults, well worth reading, parts are not only clever, but brilliant, and the comedy of the various situations is manifest.

A COLONIAL KING by Hume Nisbet (George Bell and Sons). This is a scathing attack on gamblers, divorces and plutocrats, the specimens of each class being taken from "smart" American society. The author in his preface states that he compared the America of to-day commercially, socially and politically with the America of the time of the Presidentship of Washington, and the study was not a cheering one. Her aims, he declares are diametrically opposed to what they were then. Corruption, monopolist slavery, useless ostentation and luxury, such as flourished in decadent Rome, rule in the States. The bustle and unrest of the modern American is added to all these. In this romance he seeks to show by the most lurid pictures how fatal to her happiness and prosperity are the parasites that infest America and to this end, he selects typical illustrations of the vices that he contends are eating at the foundations of American society, are destroying the race and putting out the light of truth and justice in the great towns of the States. To prove that he is not overstating the facts, he quotes articles from such authorities as the "Encyclopædia Britannica," from the "American Almanac Year Book for 1903." The case attending the application of the Divorce Laws in America is exemplified in the domestic arrangement and disarrangement of many of the people in the story. The multi-millionaire, Webster Bagshot, when proposing for a fashionable English widow, whose title and beauty, he hopes will float him into social circles into which even his wealth had not yet inducted him, is quite frank in telling her of his many matrimonial ventures:—

"You have been married several times!" asked Lady Damerel Thistlewood.

"Yes, my lady, and I am pleased to say that my former wives still live to attest to my honorable conduct as their husband."

"Tell me about your wives, that is, if it does not pain you to speak about them."

"How can it possibly pain me, considering that they are all my good friends still? My first wife, Selina, divorced me after eight years' trial, because I was not able to devote the time she wished, to her and home. My second, Robina, joined the Shaker Society, and so became a celibate. I divorced her for that. My third I likewise divorced because she neglected me, preferring Paris to New York as her residence. She afterwards married a Polish Count and is, as she writes me, quite happy. My fourth wife was Constance Salter, and I understand you know all about that union. My fifth behaved somewhat recklessly and thoughtlessly although I bear her no ill-will. She foolishly eloped with a young man, who spent her settlements and ruined her character. For her sake I overlooked that escapade and received her back. But her impulses were too wayward and she left me a second time; then I released her and helped her to reinstate herself. She is now quite respectable and running straight with her present husband, who is a leading light in the spiritualistic world. She had been all the time an unconscious medium, and has assured me since that it was ignorance of her gifts, and resistance to the proper control that afflicted her with these vagaries, therefore she was not to blame, poor girl. All my wives were fine women and worthy of my respect."

The Lady Damerel was not frightened of coming in at the foot of this varied list, and Webster Bagshot promised her a settlement of three million dollars, at her own free disposal, significantly stating that she need not be afraid of the Divorce Court annulling the settlements. The defeating of the monopoly magnates of whom Webster was the chief, by a secret society sworn to work for the good of mankind, and the formation of a kingdom over which a converted plutocrat was made King, is carried out by what seem quite as serpentive methods as those of the monopolists, but the aim was a good one, and the unscrupulous were prevented from doing any further mischief. Incidentally Lady Damerel Bagshot outwits her experienced business husband.

EMPIRE DAY.

THE ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, MAY 24.

On the occasion of the celebration of Empire-Day, the King reviewed the troops at Aldershot and unveiled the memorial to the officers of the Army Medical Corps who fell in South Africa.

The Prince of Wales unveiled the memorial to the Colonials, who fell in South Africa, in St. Paul's Cathedral in the presence of a most distinguished gathering of military men, Civilians and Colonials.

Lord Roberts and Mr. Balfour and other Ministers were present.

The Prince of Wales wore the uniform of the King's Colonials.

There were also celebrations throughout Australia and Canada.

A RUSSIAN REVERSE

The Baltic Fleet.

LONDON, MAY 25.

Russian despatches show that General Rennenkamff has been severely checked after attacking an unnamed Japanese position in considerable force and that there were several hundred casualties. The Press censor will not allow the details to transpire.

Reuter wires from Manila that an official report, received from Vigan in Luzon, states that over fifty warships supposed to be Russian were sighted on the East Coast of the Bonan Islands on the 20th instant, sailing in a North-Easterly direction.

BOMB OUTRAGES IN RUSSIA.

Prince Killed.

LONDON, MAY 24.

Prince Nakashidze, Governor of Baku, a lieutenant and a by-stander, were all killed by a bomb at Baku this afternoon.

The Chief of the Police at Siedlce was severely injured by a bomb last evening. The man who threw it got away.

FIGHT AMONG JEWS AT WARSAW.

Twenty-four Casualties.

LONDON, MAY 25.

Serious fighting took place among the Jews at Warsaw, last evening, in which four were killed and twenty wounded.

THE CALCHAS CASE

Further Action Discussed.

LONDON, MAY 24.

Earl Percy, in the House of Commons, replying to Colonel Nolan, regarding the finding of the Prize Court in the Calchas case, in the matter of cotton being contraband, said that when the text of the Russian decision was received, he would consider the desirability of further action.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE FAR EAST.

Philippines for Generations.

LONDON, MAY 25.

Mr. Secretary Taft, presiding at the Ohio Republican State Convention at Columbus, said the United States claimed a hearing on the new questions which had arisen in the Far East by virtue of her growing trade and ownership of the Philippines which the United States will hold certainly for a generation and possibly several.

JAPANESE PRINCE IN PARIS.

Entertained by the President.

LONDON, MAY 24.

President Loubet entertained Prince Arisugawas at luncheon. M. Rouvier, M. Delcasse and M. Motono, the Japanese Minister were present.

THE EAST INDIAN NAVAL COMMAND.

New Appointment.

It is officially announced that Rear-Admiral Poe will succeed Rear-Admiral Atkinson-Willes in command of the East India Station.

[Admiral Poe, C.V.O., at present commands the First Cruiser Squadron.]

DERBY SCRATCHING.

LONDON, MAY 24.

Val d'Or has been scratched for the Derby.

CRICKET IN ENGLAND.

Another Australian Victory.

The match between Surrey and Warwickshire resulted in a draw.

Sussex has beaten Leicestershire by an innings and eighteen runs.

Essex has beaten Derbyshire by an innings and one run.

Oxford University has beaten the Gentlemen of England by 49 runs.

Lancashire has beaten Worcestershire by 97 runs.

Australians have beaten Yorkshire by 174 runs.

Gloucestershire has beaten Notts by 8 wickets

THE weather reports from all parts of France are of violent hurricanes, spreading damage and destruction on all sides. In the Sarthe region, schools, industrial and official buildings have been wrecked, trees torn up, and growing crops laid waste. Near Saumur, the fruit crop has been almost ruined. The force of the wind may be vaguely realised from the fact that in one place a house roof was torn away and carried bodily to a distance of 100 yards. From Lyons and other centres, similar accounts are reaching Paris.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NOTICE OF VOTE OF CENSURE.

Sir E. Grey to Move Vote of Censure.

LONDON, MAY 25.

In the House of Commons last night, Sir Edward Grey gave notice of a vote of censure, declaring that in view of the confusion created by the conflicting declarations of Mr. Balfour and other Ministers, the House deems it necessary that the electors should have an opportunity of expressing their opinions regarding preferential taxation of food before the Colonial Conference is held.

DARING ESCAPE OF SOLDIERS FROM JAIL.

ONE RE-ARRESTED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, MAY 25.

Piper Allen, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Poona, and Private Kennedy, South Lancashires, stationed at Jubbulpore, who were undergoing imprisonment at Wonowrie Central Prison, managed to escape while at work outside the Jail. Allen was for six months' and had to put in three months and Kennedy's term was 56 days.

Allen, it will be remembered, created a sensation in Calcutta, a short time ago, by escaping from military custody there. He was arrested after a hot chase by the Military police across the Hughli bridge, and brought down to Poona, when his regiment was relieved, under escort.

On breaking loose from his custodians at Wanowrie, he made straight for a restaurant in the Main street, where he had a hearty breakfast. He met the expense by giving an order to the restaurant-keeper on the Pay Sergeant of his regiment. This, of course, was dishonoured. The Military police are still scouring the country in search of him. It is believed that he has made his way to Bombay. From there he may eventually take a passage home.

Kennedy was captured by the Military police the evening after his escape. Both of them were attempting to catch the Bombay mail train, when they were spotted by the Military police, who gave them a hot chase and caught Kennedy, a short distance from the Railway Station, while he was running down the street and over Railway bridge towards the Bund Gardens. He managed to get rid of his prison garments.

HOUSES IN POONA CANTONMENT.

MILITARY RIGHT OF OCCUPATION.

POONA, MAY 25.

An appeal is at present awaiting decision by Lieutenant-General Commanding Western Forces in regard to the occupation of bunglow No. 4 Staunton road, lately vacated by Dr. Church, resident Surgeon to Sir Archibald Hunter. The house was recently purchased by Mr. Tata of Bombay with intent to occupy it during the season. But, as there was no house for one Daniel, military clerk in the Adjutant-General's office, he wanted to take possession as soon Dr. Church vacated. Meanwhile the Cantonment authorities learnt that Mr. Tata took possession of the house. Nobody is residing in it till the decision of the Lieutenant General has been given.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

SIMLA, MAY 25.

Lieut. Morris, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, and Lieut. Jetham, North Staffordshire Regiment, are posted to the Western Command for appointment to the Indian army.

Captain Bromhead, 1-2nd gurkhas is appointed Assistant Commandant, Lushai Hills Military Police,

Colonel Schalch, Colonel on the staff of Madras Brigade, is permitted to resign his appointment with effect from 1st July next and to reside out of India.

Colonel Carter, Essex Regiment commands the Bangalore Infantry Brigade vice Colonel Scallen transferred temporarily to command the Aden Brigade.

Captain Hutchinson, 1-4th gurkhas is appointed Assistant Transport Registration Officer in the Northern Command.

Lieut-Yates, North Lancashire Regiment is posted, to the Northern Command for appointment to the Indian Army.

The 41st Dogras will embark for Hongkong on the 7th June next in the R I. M. S. Dufferin.

The question of the grant of special concessions to the Gurkhas and followers of the Dharmsala Narrison who suffered loss through the earthquake is now being considered by the Government of India.

GENERAL.

It has been finally decided that swords shall be retained in Lancer regiments of Native Cavalry.

The introduction of Double Company organisation in the 42nd Deoli and the 43rd Erinpura Regiments, and in the 44th Merwara Infantry has been sanctioned.

Captain Stooks 80th Infantry is transferred to the Eastern Command.

2nd Lieutenant Caldwell, 19th Hussars, and Lieutenant Bell-Kingsley, North Staffordshire Regiment are posted to the Eastern Command for appointment to the Indian Army.

Lieutenants Turner, 48th Pioneers and Murray, 1st Brahmans, are permitted to resign their appointments in the Supply and Transport corps.

2nd-Lieutenant Wilson South Wales Borderers is posted to the Western command for appointment to the Indian Army.

NORTHERN COMMAND.

Major E. Reay, 1st Battalion, Wiltshire Regiment, has been warned to embark for India, and was due to sail on the 19th instant.

Lieutenant H. Watts, I. M. S., is attached to the 59th Rifles for duty.

Captain J. Corbett, 15th Lancers and Major A Kennedy, 3rd Hussars, have been permitted to attend the entrance examination for the Staff college at camberly in August next.

The following are granted 90 days' privilege leave 2nd-Lieutenant K. Barge, 17th cavalry, from 5th June; Major E. Wall, 17th cavalry, from 1st June.

ARRIVALS MAY 25.

Lieut W A Moore R A, on recruiting duty from Hongkong.

Lieut K M Ball, R G A on duty, from England.

Major D Baker, 102 Grenadiers on duty from Deesa.

Lieut J F Parr, R F A, from leave from England.

Lieut F M James, 2nd East Lancashire Regiment, on duty from England.

Capt G G W Corrie, R A, on duty from Sierra Leone

Capt W Evans R F A to join from England.

Lieut C V Wardell 21st Punjabis to join from England.

DEPARTURES MAY 25.

Captain W Evans R F A, on duty to Jullunder,

THE AFGHAN TREATY.

FULL TEXT

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, MAY 25.

The following is the full text of the Treaty with Afghanistan :—

Translation of the Treaty is as follows—He is God-Extolled be his perfection. His Majesty Siraj-ul-millat-wa-ud-din Amir Habibulla Khan, independent King of the State of Afghanistan and its dependencies on one part and the Honible Mr. Louis William Dane, C.S.I. Foreign Secretary of the mighty Government of India and representative of the exalted British Government on the other part.

His said Majesty does hereby agree to this that in principles and in matters of subsidiary importance of the Treaty regarding internal and external affairs and of engagements which His Highness, my late father, that is, Zia-ul millat-wa-ud-din, who has found mercy, (may God enlighten his tomb!) concluded and acted upon with the exalted British Government, I also have acted, am acting and will act upon the same agreement and compact, and I will not contravene them in any dealing or in any promise.

The said Honorable Mr. Louis William Dane does hereby agree to this that as to the very agreement and engagement which the exalted British Government concluded and acted upon with the noble father of His Majesty Siraj-ul-millat.wa-ud-din that is, His Highness Zia-ul-millat-wa-ud-din, (who has found mercy), regarding internal and external affairs and matters of principle or of subsidiary importance, I confirm them and write that the British Government will not act contrary to those agreements and engagements in any way or at any time.

Made on Tuesday the 14th day of Muharram-ul-haram of the year 1323 Hijri, corresponding to the 21st day of March of the year 1905 A. D.

Persian seal of the Amir Habibulla Khan.

In the handwriting of the Amir : "This is correct I have sealed and signed."

AMIR HABIBULLA,
LOUIS W. DANE,
Foreign Secretary,
Representing the Government of India.

PLAGUE MORTALITY IN INDIA.

ON THE DECLINE.

SIMLA, MAY 25.

The seasonal decrease in plague mortality which accompanies every hot weather has at last set in. The total number of plague deaths in India, last week, was 35,492 benig an improvement of over 20,000 on the terrible sum of 56,732 persons who died from the disease in the last week of April. The Punjab has a decrease of 4,000 but still returns 25,340 deaths, and the United Provinces a similar improvement with 51,32[illegible] deaths. The malady is also dying down in Rajputana, Bengal and Bombay.

DEATH OF A RACE HORSE.

POONA, MAY 25.

News has been received in Poona from Mr. Bass at home announcing the death on the voyage home of the celebrated race horse Carabine. This horse was imported into India in 1903, for the purpose of running for the Viceroy's Cup, but having gone lame about two days before the Viceroy's Cup Day, was unable to run. Since that time, he has been suffering and not strong enough to run in races, so Mr. Bass then decided to put him to the stud. He left Bombay a few days ago, and prior to that, he was insured for £3,500 of which £2,500 was with the Yorkshire Insurance Company, and £1,000 with Messrs. Baldock and Company.

BOMBAY SERVICES.

Mr. W. C. Shepherd, B. A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., is to act as Political Agent, Jawhar, vice Mr. J. P. Orr, I. C. S., pending further orders.

Mr. W. G. Clabby, Fifth Grade Superintendent of Police, has been allowed by the Secretary of State for India an extension for one month furlough granted.

Captain H. J. R. Twigg, M. B., I. M. S, to be Superintendent, Central Prison, Hyderabad, and, on relief, to act as Superintendent, Central Prison, Yeravda, vice Captain G C. Laing, M.B., I. M. S., deceased, during the absence on leave of Mr. H. N. Alexander.

Captain A.G. Sargent, I. M. S., to act as Superintendent, Central Prison, Hyderabad, vice Captain Twigg, pending further orders.

Captain D. G. R. S. Banker, I. M. S., is to be in medical charge of the Central Prison, Yeravda, in addition to his own duties.

The services of Mr. G. H. White, First Grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, Khandesh, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India in the Home Department.

The Governor-in Council is pleased to make the following appointments :—Mr. E. E Turner, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Ahmedabad, to act as District Superintendent of Police, Kaira, vice Mr. H. R. Hume, pending further orders. Mr. H. R. Hume, on relief, to be District Superintendent of Police, Nosik. Mr. P. A. Kelly, on relief, to be Assistant Superintendent of Police, Khandesh, vice Mr. G. H. White on deputation.

Mr. J. A. G. Wales, M.A. (Oxon.), I.C.S., is to act as Collector of Ahmednagar and to be Member and President of the Local Board established for the Ahmednagar District vice Mr. G. Carmichael, I.C.S., pending further orders.

Mr. K. Hewlett, M. R. C. V. S, is to act as Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department, Bombay Presidency, during the absence on leave of Major F. Joslen, or until further orders.

Mr. C. W. A. Turner, I. C. S. is to be Second Assistant to the Collector of Land Revenue, Customs and Opium, Bombay, and Chief Inspector of Factories vice Mr. J. K. Martin, I. C. S., proceeding on leave.

Mr. W. C. Shepherd, B. A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., is to act as Collector of Thana, and to be Member and President of the Local Board established for the Thana District vice Mr. J. P. Orr, I. C. S.

Mr. J. P. Orr, I. C. S., Collector of Thana, is allowed privilege leave for one month.

During the absence of Commander Wilson on leave :—Commander H. S. Black, R. I. M., to act as Examiner in Navigation, in addition to his duties as President and Examiner in Seamanship.

The Reverend F. B. Sandberg, Chaplain of Hyderabad, Sind, is granted furlough on medical certificate for one year in continuation of privilege leave for three months.

Colonel J. P. Greany, M. D., I. M. S., (Bombay) is to act Surgeon-General with the Government of Bombay vice Surgeon-General W. McConaghy, M. D., I. M. S., granted leave.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. H. Henderson, F.R.C. S.I., I.M. S. was appointed to act as Surgeon-General with the Government of Bombay, in addition to his own duties as Civil Surgeon, Poona, pending relief by Colonel J. P. Greany, M. D., I.M.S.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Cashmere and its Possibilities.

THE COMING VOGUE FOR LACE.

MOTOR MODES.

LONDON, MAY 5.

WHEN one realises how graceful and altogether desirable a material cashmere is, it is a matter for wonder that it should have been allowed to remain so long out of favour. Why it should ever have fallen into disrepute it is difficult to say, but we are certainly making up now, by the warmth of our welcome, for the neglect of the last few years or so. In its finer qualities, the cashmere of to-day has so soft and silken a texture that it is almost like crepe de chine in appearance, while the fact that it is practically uncrushable makes it very useful for all occasions. For tea-gowns, for example, in ivory-white and in pale pastel colourings, cashmere is an ideal fabric, and lends itself amiably to combination with chiffon and lace, soft satin and taffetas and mousseline. For three-quarter length coats and other wraps, both for day and evening wear, cashmere will also be greatly in request especially when it is arranged with broderie anglaise trimming worked in softly-coloured silks, and in the same cashmere as that of which the coats or cloaks are themselves composed.

Delightfully cool and fresh looking are those dainty linen gowns, which have already been prepared for the early summer season. One has only to see them immediately to conjure up delightful visions of sunny summer days spent up the river or by the sea. It may seem perhaps a little premature to discuss their merits yet, but it is as well to think out one's summer outfit in good time, and in the matter of linen frocks, the modes are not likely to change very materially between now and June.

It is now a foregone conclusion that lace gowns will play a prominent part in the fashions of the forthcoming season. The lucky possessors of beautiful gowns in real old lace will do well to bring out their treasures with a view to having them modernised and mounted on chiffon, over soft silks or satins, or even over silver tissue, if they are intended for Court gowns or for evening wear generally, already more than one lovely gown prepared for the next Court which will be made entirely of real lace over silver tissue, and worn with a train of white radium satin, lined with silver tissue and ruffled underneath with many little frills and flounces of chiffon. Some of these gowns are old historic French dresses of the first Empire period, with a quaint charm and grace of their own, in their short-waisted bodices and small puffed sleeves. In the case of these gowns certain characteristics of the same Empire style will be visible in the trains also. They will be slung from both shoulders, and carried straight across the back under a high collar of wired lace to correspond. Of the different and more modern type are the close-fitting princess gowns in handsome Irish lace, which should be worn only by those whose figures are beyond reproach. For garden parties and for summer race meetings the frocks in Alencon lace will be very useful, the skirts arranged with three deep flounces and the bodices made in the prevailing cross-over fashion, slightly gathered on the shoulders, and leaving a space in the centre to be filled in with a chemisette either of net or silk muslin, finely tucked and trimmed with lace insertions.

The perfect gown is the gown designed for the individual woman, and owing much of its cachet to its harmonious development of the best possibilities of the face and figure. Even a slight change in the line of collar, girdle, shoulder or hip will sometimes make an unbecoming gown becoming. The wise woman, sartorially, is she who has studied her own lines and colouring until she knows exactly what suits her and what does not, and who has the courage of her convictions. The little bolero coat is perhaps kinder to the figure and more generally becoming than any other coat model, but there are figures for which it is impossible. It is always a youthful garment, and not consistent with a considerable weight of years. The fashionable boleros of the season are the short, jaunty, loose coats with somewhat indefinite sleeves and shoulder lines.

These vague boleros are very popular, and usually fall open to show rather a wide expanse of dainty blouse, while the loose, short sleeves fall in bell fashion over the blouse sleeves, showing the latter from elbow to wrist. Sometimes the blouse sleeve ends at the elbow and the still shorter coat sleeve is slashed up the outside to show the under sleeve. Often this sleeve is so cut in one with the bolero that it has the effect of a graceful little cape rather than of a coat, but below these uncertain flowing folds, which give shoulder breadth, the waist curve is trimly defined by a carefully moulded girdle or belt, so that the waist appears the smaller for the fulness of the little coat above and of the full skirt below. Flat braids alone, or in combination with some one of the attractive embroidered galons, trim many of the boleros. Little transversely pleated bands and pipings of silk are also used, but there are very few of the fussy bouillonee and cording designs that were worn last season. For waistcoats, collars, and cuffs material of contrasting colour is frequently used and the flat turn-down collars of batiste or linen embroidered and perhaps lace trimmed are extremely mo ish for the little boleros of cloth or silk. These collars can be bought in innumerable designs and colourings, and help to give a pleasing variety to coats and boleros. Many of the ready-made suits quite plain in finish may receive a touch of chic and freshness from the addition of such a collar, and often by removing an unattractive or unbecoming braided or appliqued collar, and substituting one of the dainty linen collars, the entire effect of a ready-made bolero may be altered for the better. Bloused or draped fitted coats ending at the waistline or just below in front, and with pleated coat-tails in the back, shaping in swallow-tail lines, are seen in some very good models, and while not so extreme as the Louis XV. coats, are a happy compromise between them and the bolero. One of the newest redingote models has a collar of black satin and broad girdle lines defined by close lines of heavy stitching. It is worn with a white waistcoat. White pique waistcoats, smartly tailored, will be very fashionable with coat and skirt costumes. With long redingote coats, closely moulded to the figure, usually by skilful draping, are worn close fitting plain bodices of silk, fastening in the black and covered in front by some dainty fanciful chemisette, which shows in greater or less degree according as the coat opens slightly or broadly. It is easier to fit the coat over this carefully cut and smooth bodice than over a loose blouse, and the cut and lines of the redingote must be masterly to be successful.

The Princesse gown is almost as popular in this country as it is in Paris. The fashion is never likely to become common because of the difficulties connected with its successful making. To obtain the round skirt in a Princesse gown is difficult, though it may be done by inset pleatings and other trimmings running up from the hem to the knees, thus insuring great width at the bottom of a skirt necessarily clinging round waist and hips, and cut in one with the bodice. Some of the best makers consider the little train better adapted to a Princesse dress, and use it with a skirt length at sides and front much shorter than in the round skirts. When fashioned in silk or satin the Princesse robe is made with a certain severity of line, but is cut low in the bodice to show fluffy masses of lace chiffon, etc. The sleeves of lace or thin material are usually elbow length. Where disposition of the bodice folds and bodice and skirt trimmings. This arrangement is for elaborate toilettes, smarter than the use of a girdle, but requires more skilful handling. A fitted swathed girdle is more practicable for the ordinary dressmaker.

Dame fashion has decreed that gloves must match the frock whether for day or evening wear. As a result, soft kids of every imaginable shade with markings on the back in self-toned silk or in the same shade of leather appliqué with fine stitching, are seen everywhere. Buttons, rather than clasps, continue to be the smart fastening, and large mother-of-pearl buttons are popular on the softer shades of kid. Buttons in imitation of genuine pearls of medium size are employed as fastenings on fancy and more expensive gloves. Buttons covered with kid to match the gloves are also shown. On the backs of white or black gloves there is a decided popularity for black or white stitchings. Black gloves usually show three lines of white silk stitching, half an inch in width, and a lining of white kid in the wrists. Long black kid gloves, which are particularly smart with short-sleeved frocks, have three rows of white feather-stitching on the backs, and not infrequently a design embroidered in white silk between elbow and wrist. Black suede gloves also show white stitchings. White kid gloves are embroidered with black stitching.

If, indeed, we dare to cross the road at all! The motor fiend becomes daily more and more obsessing and the lives of quiet pedestrians are rapidly becoming a very burden to them. The truly terrible casualty list of the last few weeks has put the whole problem beyond a mere passing craze and transitory grievance, and has exalted it to a burning question that affects the public safety. That innocent victims should be ruthlessly done to death in the unscrupulous pursuit of an insane sporting craze is a scandal not to be tolerated, and everyone will agree in demanding prompt legislative measures in the matter. In the meantime, as if in ironic defiance of critics, motor-modes are becoming more elaborate than ever. Certainly, up till now, one could not accuse the woman motorist of vanity, for anything better calculated to nip it in the bud than motoring-dress one cannot imagine. One of the novelties is a sort of Red-Riding-Hood arrangement, which, with a little cape attached, might be well worn when travelling by land or water. Another type of motor headgear is a shepherd-ess-like hat, with three frills of straw, and silk rosettes, a curtain of silk depending from the back, whence it is drawn forwards under the chin. Such headgear, it is conceivable, might relieve the tailormade austerity of a motor coat. But about our ordinary headgear at present the note of austerity is absent. Fancy has run wild in the dainty, coloured straws of vivid mauves and greens that chime in their hue with all our ideal conceptions of spring. If we are not exactly in Arcadia, we can imagine we are, by only looking at our hat shops. What else could one feel but intensely pastoral, for instance, in a Watteau model of dainty yellow chip, whose distinctly shady brim is adorned by a garniture of miniature roses laid on a falling frill of ecru lace which droops behind in a deep curtain-like "cache-peigne."

RASH AND NEGLIGENT MOTOR-DRIVING.

HEAVY PUNISHMENT ON THE ACCUSED.

YESTERDAY, at the Mazagon Police Court, Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, disposed of a case in which one Pirajee Shranan, a licensed motor-car driver was charged with rash and negligent driving on the evening of the 16th instant.

It appeared that Mr. Dadabhoy Bapuji Lam, the complainant residing at the Queen's Road, opposite the Marine Lines Station, was being driven in his carriage near the Queen's Road, and when it neared the Chowpati Level Crossing, the accused came from the opposite direction and ran his motor-car right into the complainant's horse knocking down the animal which was injured. Damage was also done to the complainant's carriage, which was on the proper side of the road. Evidence further showed that at the time of the incident, the accused was under the influence of liquor. The accused pleaded guilty and admitted having driven on the wrong side of the road.

The Magistrate, in disposing of the case, remarked that of late there had been many complaints, regarding the reckless manner in which motor-cars were being driven about in Bombay by persons like the accused, and it was, therefore, necessary to put a stop to such rash driving by his passing a sentence which would act as a deterrent to others. His Worship convicted the accused and sentenced him to three weeks' rigorous imprisonment. He further ordered the accused's license to be suspended for a period of two months, under section 8 of the Bombay Motor-Vehicle Act VI of 1904.

PRIVY COUNCIL JUDGMENT.

THE WILL OF THE LATE MR. GORDHUNDAS SOONDERDAS MULJI.

DECISION OF THE HIGH COURT REVERSED.

GUNGABAI & OTHERS VS BHUGWANDAS VALJI & OTHERS.

THE facts of the case are that the late Mr. Gordhundas Soonderdas, the proprietor of the well-known firm of Messrs. Mulji Jaitha & Co., made a will on the 5th October 1902, and on the same day he executed a deed poll concerning the management of his firm of Mulji Jaitha & Co., by which latter document he appointed his widow Gungabai his successor, and vested all powers in her and directed that she should conduct the management of the firm with the advice of his solicitor, Mr. Jamsetji Kavasji Patell.

Mr. Gordhundas died on the 10th October 1902 and his widow, Mr. Jamsetji Kavasji Patell, Mr. Lalji Narronji Mr. Chaturbhuj Morarji and Mr. Narrandas Thakersey Mulji, the executors appointed by the deceased under his will applied for probate thereof to the High Court of Bombay. Mr. Bhugwandas Valji the defendant in the case, filed a caveat, asserting his right as a partner of the deceased in the firm of Mulji Jaitha & Co. and opposing the grant of probate on various grounds, amongst others, that the will propounded and the said deed poll were not the will and deed of the deceased; that the same were not read by him nor were they read over to him, and he did not understand the contents thereof—that the deceased was not in a sound and disposing state of mind when he executed them, and raised an issue as to whether the deed poll was not a testamentary writing and whether probate should not be granted of it with the will. The Hon. Mr Justice Russell before whom the suit in the first instance was tried for several days, decided on the 16th June 1903 in favour of the executors and ordered the grant of probate to the executors, dismissing the caveat with costs. Mr Bhugwandas appealed against the decision of Mr Justice Russell. The appeal was heard before the Appeal Court, consisting of the Hon Mr Justice Chandavarker and the Hon. Mr Justice Batty, who delivered their judgment on the 11th January 1904, by which they directed that all reference to the deed poll contained in clause 6 and clause 23 of the will should be expunged. Three of the said executors, viz Gungabai the widow, Mr Jamsetji Kavasji Patell and Mr Lalji preferred an appeal to His Majesty's Council against the decision of the Appeal Court. The appeal before His Majesty's Privy Council was heard in the month of April last. Mr Jamsetji Kavasji Patell himself had proceeded to England for the purposes of the appeal. A telegram has been received from London that the Judicial Committee of His Majesty delivered judgment yesterday and has reversed the decision of the Appellate Court and confirmed the decree of the Hon Mr Justice Russell in favour of the executors and directed Bhugwandas to pay costs of the appeal to the Privy Council.

ARRIVAL OF THE R. I. M. S. ELPHINSTONE.

THE Royal Indian Marine steamer Elphinstone, Lieut. Commander A. S. Balfour, R I.M., arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden, which port she left on the 17th May. She brought Government stores and 184 deck passengers.

ACCORDING to general belief in Constantinople, the Yemen is virtually lost to Turkey. Under the stimulus of the recent defeats, a great display of superficial energy will be made in the direction of pouring overwhelming forces into the region. But it will be paper energy, and the large levies permitted to be telegraphed abroad will never see the Yemen. The season is just now at its worst, and in the almost tropical heat, campaigning is quite out of the question. This is the governing factor of the situation, and the leaders of the rebellion know how to utilise it to the utmost in strengthening their position. Autonomy, with a more or less fictitious Turkish suzerainty, is now virtually assured for the Yemen.

THE FAILURE OF NAVAL GUNS.

THE PROCESS OF RE-TUBING.

"ENGINEERING" writing on this subject which has occupied much attention during the past few days, says that what did happen in the case of some of the Mark VIII. guns, made at Woolwich, was a contraction of the bore at certain places in the chase which in a few instances caused splitting. This may have been due either to soft metal to wear, or to the failure of the inner tube in rifling. Under ordinary conditions, the worst that could happen would be a cracking of the inner tube but even then the gun is by no means put out of action, although in peace time the correct procedure is to at once have the inner lining removed, and a new and stronger tube put in its place. In the event of our being at war, however, the gun could still be used with the lining cracked. The consequent reduction in tangential strength would not reduce the total resistance of the gun structure to the stresses set up to anything like the breaking point. Indeed, that is one of the conditions taken into consideration in determining the structural strength of every gun: a fact which alone proves that such partial failure has been anticipated. Our contemporary describes the process of re-tubing as carried out at Woolwich, where spare inner tubes are kept in reserve. The breech-bush is first removed as it serves to hold the inner tube in position. The gun is then lowered, breech end, into one of the ordinary heating pits, and gas-jets are inserted into the bore, while at the same time rings of jets are placed around the chase of the gun. In this way the structure is subjected to heat for about five or six hours according to the size of the weapon, until the whole mass has reached a temperature of between 300 to 400 deg. Fahr. The heat within the bore is then withdrawn but is still continued externally. A spray of cold water is driven through the bore from the muzzle end, and the sudden cooling of the inner tube which results causes it to shrink, while the heat outwardly applied to the muzzle end continues the expansion of this part. A heavy tup is then applied to the muzzle end, which, after successive blows, forces the inner tube from all contact; it is then easily removable through the breech end. The bore of "A" tube, from which the liner or inner tube has thus been removed, is then lapped or fine bored, as necessary, to its original taper of 1 in 300. The new tube is similarly turned to the exact dimensions of the inner surface of the "A" tube, leaving only the required difference of 3000th parts of an inch for purposes of shrinking. The inner tube is then tupped into the old gun, care being taken to insure that all shoulders are actually in bearing. When the inner tube has been fixed, the gun is put on a boring or other machine, so that the interior may be bored, chambered, and polished the bush being subsequently replaced, whereupon the bore is rifled and lapped to its exact dimensions. After re-lining, the gun is as good as new; but even a reserve of tubes would not meet the case. The process of re-lining which we have described, cannot be carried out in much less time than three months and after an action when this work has to be done, every minute will be an important factor in the ultimate success of any naval campaign. It is no disparagement to any system of gun-construction to say that in a comparatively short fleet engagement every gun must suffer—they are built to suffer—and, whether successful or otherwise, the fleet which can most quickly return to the fighting base with all its offensive qualities repaired must ultimately succeed. We may not, like Admiral Togo, have the great advantage of many months in comparative safety to carry out this rehabilitment of the fleet, and therefore dependence upon the long process of re-lining the guns might be dangerous. Even if inner tubes were kept in reserve, the case would not be materially improved, because new tubes could be forged and repaired during the time taken to withdraw the inner tubs.

TWENTIETH CENTURY POLITICIANS.

MR. BRODRICK, P.C., M.P., speaking at Godalming, Mr. Brodrick said that he did not regard the result of the Brighton election, because it showed that, whilst the people were all for the moderate policy of Mr. Balfour, they would have none of the much more extreme (shall we add more logical?) proposals associated with the name of Mr. Chamberlain. Considering that the defeated candidate was a pure and simple Balfourite and that the Tariff Reformers, therefore, took no part in the election, the sublimity of Mr. Brodrick's assurance will be apparent. If any one man could be held responsible for the Brighton defeat and for the various other Government defeats at bye-elections, that man is the Right Hon. William St. John Fremantle Brodrick, M. P. It is true that, since he was given his present appointment in 1903, Mr. Brodrick has had comparatively few opportunities of distinguishing himself in his own peculiar way; but the public, short-memoried though it is, has scarcely yet had time to forget his brilliant innocence, when in charge of the War Office from 1900 to 1903.

He came to the War Office as an expert, that is to say, he knew that the Boers were possessed of both horses and guns. Stirred to the depths he could, but realise that horses and guns must be met by horses and guns, though where such things could be bought, it passed his wit to discover. Of course, in all fairness, we must not omit to mention the one great reform which he instituted during those three years of his reign. The evil that men do lives after them, the good is often buried" at the time of their dismissal. We would not have this be so with Mr. Brodrick.

A single reform must ever outweigh a multitude of errors. Let his one good deed, therefore, shine out in this naughty world. Let us dwell on the long and anxious meditations, the dull comparisons, the tiring and very tedious interviews with experts, the trials, the failures, the alterations, the hopes, the regrets, which all went to the perfecting of that great product of his administration—the Brodrick cap. A "bas" those who say that £5 000 a year is too heavy a price to pay for the mental wear and tear that went to its evolution. The Germans have dreaded us ever since that fearsome cap was hatched, and, though they have tried to conceal their terror by circulating photographs of Mr. Brodrick, armed cap-a-pie sword between legs, and toes meeting at the triangle's apex we know why they do this.

Mistaking Mr. Chamberlain's temporary rest for a symptom of political downfall and defeat, warrior Brodrick thinks he recognises an enemy such as even his courage may tackle. So he talks balderdash about the benefits of retaliation and the evils of the logical policy which alone can justify the use of retaliation at all. When political leaders like Mr. Balfour hesitate to dogmatise, people like Mr. Brodrick are sure to avail themselves of opportunities such as was presented by the visit to Godalming.

Mr. Balfour is a great philosopher and a great man but he is very easy-going and tolerant for the weakness of others. Mr. Chamberlain also is a great man but one with a much more practical turn of mind, and with a strong belief in competence and business ability. With Mr. Chamberlain in power, the little hour of the incompetents would be over. Mr. Brodrick knows this well and shows more wisdom than ever he has shown officially by clinging to Mr. Balfour, and endeavouring to alienate him from the strenuous politician from West Birmingham. Nevertheless, his struggles are futile. The nation hates muddlers, and despises incompetence; it also recognises cowardice, and will have none of it. Nothing in the view of the ardent Tariff Reformer has done more to damn the half-hearted fiscal policy of Mr. Balfour, known as retaliation, than Mr. Brodrick's defence of it at Godalming last week. Mr. Chamberlain may well thank his stars that Mr. Brodrick is not of his party for we doubt if even the most wise of doctrines and most logical of policies could long survive the advocacy of the most famous member of the present Government.—Oban in the "Public Opinion."

PASSENGERS PER S.S. YARRA.

THE following passengers proceed to-day, per Messageries Maritimes Company's s. s. Yarra, from Prince's Dock shed A, to Colombo and Australia. There will be the usual medical inspection at the dock at 2 p.m. sharp :—

For Colombo.—Mr. R. E. Daver, Mr. C. Thomson, Colonel F. Hawkins, Mrs. Maria Mitnik, Miss M. Bennett, Mr. Adim, Mr. Adim, Mr. & Daneat, Mr. Danelin, Mr. Adroon, Mr. Ayvon, Mr. R. Lebaub and Mr. B. D. B. Smith.

For Freemantle.—Mr. C. G. Dadeley.

For Adelaide.—Mrs Remy.

For Melbourne.—Mrs. Visbord and child.

For Noumea.—Mr. and Mrs. Roulotz Mr. Dupas, Mr. and Mrs. Mossakowski and 4 children, Mr. and Mrs Gadolfre and 4 children, Mr. and Mrs. Johnstone, Mr. Royer, Mrs. Ferlin, Mrs. Gaspar and 3 children Mr. Mandez, Mr. Mathlin and Mr. Havet.

IT is a fact worthy of note that there is now not a single district in the United Provinces reporting 1,000 deaths a week from plague. Muttra district heads the latest Provincial list with 970 deaths and Meerut District comes next with 875. Other districts seriously affected are: Muzaffarnagar (694), Mainpuri (657) and Bulandshahr (589.)

EVOLUTION OF HEAT.

SINCE Pouillet first demonstrated in 1822, that finely-powdered substances like glass and sand become heated on being wetted with water, many experiments have been made and many theories suggested in explanation of this Pouillet effect. Pouillet himself referred it to capillary attraction, Tate to chemical combination, which is generally considered to be out of the question; Cantoni—and later Nelsons—suggested that water passed into a different state of aggregation when wetting powders, either into the solid state or some intermediate state between the solid and liquid. This explanation was taken up by Martini a few years ago, who communicated the results of his researches to the Academy of Science of Venice. Martini believes that water solidifies when settling on powders. Bellati and Finazzi objected that in that case the specific heat of the absorbed water should be diminished which they did not find to be the case. From very careful experiments on silica in different states of dryness these latter observers concluded that almost dry silica liberated 18·5 calories per gramme of silica on being wetted and that this evolution of heat decreased as the moisture increased. For perfectly dry silica they deduced, by extrapolation, the value 26 calories. But their formulæ were not simple, and their statement that the size of the grains had no influence contradicted Gore and Linebarger and other experimenters. Renewing his investigations last year Martini adheres to his opinion. A very important contribution to the problem was, in 1902, presented to the Physical Society of London by C. J. Parks, who concluded that when silica, sand, and glass are brought in contact with water the heat evolved is proportional to the exposed area of the solid, and that about 0·00165 calorie is evolved per square centimetre when the temperature is near 7 deg. Cent. It is presumed that the substance is quite dry, that there is no chemical action, and that the substance and the water are at the same temperature. In a paper published in January in the Annalen der Physik Vol, XVI., page 32, G. Schwalbe draws attention to a crucial point which has not been considered by most experimenters. Schwalbe farther had taught that the formation of ice within fissures and caves, whose mean temperature was not below the freezing point, was due to the fact that water of less than 4 deg. Cent. became cooled—instead of heated—in percolating through the sandy walls of the cave. This view was experimentally supported by Jungk, and contradicted by Meissner, but is now shown to be correct by G. Schwalbe, whose experiments, conducted in Berlin, on the whole agree with those of Parks. Schwalbe demonstrates that in general, dry sand (silica, glass) becomes heated when in contact with water; but when the temperature of the water is below 4 deg. Cent. it becomes cooled, and when just at 4 deg. there is neither cooling nor heating. This would be in concordance with Lord Kelvin's formula for the temperature change due to the compression of a liquid which results when a surface film forms. Both the density and the expansion coefficient of water enter into the formula and as these quantities change their signs for water at 4 deg. Cent. there should be a reversal in the Pouillet effect, such as Schwalbe has now established. The point is of considerable interest, not only to physicists but also to geologists and engineers.—"Engineering."

THE NECESSITY FOR A GREATER RESERVE OF GUNS.

"Engineering" contends that our battleships and cruisers must, to be regarded as efficient, have an adequate reserve of guns. At present the reserve aimed at is one gun for every four of large calibre, and one for every five weapons of 6-in. calibre. The utter inadequacy of this is shown by the fact that, say, were the Channel and Atlantic squadrons engaged together in a great fleet action, it is quite possible to conceive that from twenty to twenty-four 12-in. guns might require to be renovated or renewed; and according to present conditions there would only exist six guns in reserve for the purpose. To attempt to reline the remaining eighteen guns, with the limited number of gun-heating pits in the country, would necessitate such a delay as might jeopardise our sea-power, and would certainly forfeit a splendid opportunity of bottling effectually the injured ships of the enemy in their repairing ports. The cost of such a reserve is a small item in the balance. Even if all the guns in any ship were duplicated, one set being held in reserve, the increase in cost for any ship would not exceed an amount equal to 7 or 8 per cent. of the aggregate cost of the vessel; and the great advantage thoroughly justifies the increased expenditure. It may be urged against this that this is duplicating the accumulation of war material which is every day becoming obsolete; but science knows no finality, that view might be urged against practically all naval expenditure; and until the periodicity of war can be accurately determined, so that due and completely modern arrangements can be made, the maintenance of peace demands a continuance of expenditure. But it can be said that the guns made as duplicates under an improved system would be quite as effective as the guns fitted on board the ship. With an increased aggregate reserve, added to from time to time, as each successive ship is commissioned it might be possible to send ships for a second time into action with perhaps one or two improved guns. The tendency is all towards increased strength of metal; and it is possible to conceive that, without increasing the weight, higher ballistics might be obtainable in reserve guns. Even without this advantage, there is attainable such an increased measure of efficiency in times of war from a warship which possesses a full reserve of guns, as to justify the small expenditure desired. Apart altogether from the wear of the gun, the aim must ever be to destroy the weapons of an enemy; so that the chances are that guns which must be exposed more or less will prove the most vulnerable part of a ship. The expenditure therefore, of £70 00) or £20,000 on reserve guns, which will enable a ship costing from £1,250,000 to £1,500 000 to return as soon as possible to the line of battle at the most crucial moment of the campaign, is so obviously a small premium on efficiency, that we are certain that only public support is necessary to encourage the present Board of Admiralty to carry this reform into effect.

THE TREASURES OF THE FRENCH CHURCHES.

INSTRUCTIONS have been issued to the French Prefects to make inventories of the art treasures preserved in the churches of their several prefectures. The exact value of these is not known, but it is immense, writes the "Westminster." It has been computed, in fact, to amount to £30 000,000 if nothing is reckoned but reliquaries, pictures, tapestries and similar articles independent of the architecture of the buildings. If statues, altars, stained-glass windows &c, are included the estimated figure is £240,000 000. The treasures of one small but rich church in the department of Aveyron were on view at the Exposition of 1900, and an American syndicate then made a cash offer £1,28 000 for the lot. At Beauvais the tapestry in one room in the Bishop's Palace is said to be worth £12 000, while there is tapestry of an equal value in the Cathedral. In the Rhaims Cathedral there is a reliquary worth £8000. For the chasuble and stole of Thomas a Becket, preserved at Paris, the father of the present Duke of Norfolk is said to have offered £3600.00). For a gilded Virgin at Amiens an offer of £32,000 has been received. Business in such treasures is seldom done, but some of them are sometimes put upon the market to raise money for church repairs and similar purposes, and then the dealers in antiquities are apt to make advantageous bargains. That was the case with the sale of certain treasures belonging to the church of Montpezat. The incumbent sold them for £80, after much haggling, and believed that he had spoiled the Egyptian. He afterwards heard that the Egyptian had resold the treasures for £1 40).

GRADUALLY the purposes of the Duc d'Orleans approaching voyage take definite form, and as they do so the romantic films of polar exploration vanish, leaving the more modest aims of deep sea dredging in comparatively well known waters as the true object aimed at. England, Germany, Belgium, and Holland have appointed an international commission of oceanographic studies for the Arctic seas, and the Duke thinks that, as France is not represented, there is room for an independent Frenchman. That, presumably, is why he has selected Belgian scientists and a Belgian ship for the work. As for himself, it is tolerably apparent already that he is little more than a figure head. His researches will be made between Mayen Island and Greenland, and he hopes to be snugly back in Europe by September 5, before autumn chills make Northern latitudes uncomfortable. One does not easily conceive of the Duke as of those who "scorn delights and live laborious days."

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

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MOTORISTS AND PUBLIC OPINION.

THE "Morning Post" says:—Mr. Kipling was, it is to be feared, a little premature, when he told the members of the Automobile Club of South Africa that motorists not only enjoyed a good reputation, but were so well spoken of that shortly not only the waters of success, but the darker waters of respectability, would pass over them. No doubt there is a general recognition by the public that the majority of motorists do now realise their responsibilities towards other users of the public roads, and to the creation of this better state of things nothing has more largely contributed than the action of the Automobile Club. We believe that the public resentment against motorists arises not so much from the actual injury to life and limb for which reckless driving is responsible as to the general sense of insecurity and the inconvenience and annoyance to which pedestrians are subjected by selfish and inconsiderate drivers. The multiplication of police traps does not commend itself to us as desirable, and the employment of special police to catch motorists is liable to grave abuse. Still less desirable is it that any encouragement should be given to the idea that other users of the highway should take the law into their own hands. If in cases where an offence is clearly proved the culprits were sent to prison without the option of a fine, the 'road hogs' who bring motoring into disrepute would be taught a very effective lesson. What is in the general interest to be greatly deprecated is the growth of a feeling of blind hostility to motoring on the part of any considerable section of the public. The motor as a means of transport has come to stay, and motorists themselves have a direct interest in protecting the public against any invasion of the right which all the King's subjects possess to make reasonable use of the King's highway. If motorists, who abuse their rights were to be punished, and punished severely, they would only have themselves to blame, and no one would complain least of all those who have the best interests of automobilism at heart."

The Standard" (Friday):—"All good motorists will be glad to learn that the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland has taken action against two chauffeurs who have recently been convicted of driving to the common danger. It is very satisfactory that such action has been taken by the most authoritative body in the new sport. The fines or brief periods of imprisonment which the law is able to inflict are much less deterrent than the sentences of an institution which exercises the same jurisdiction over motoring as the Jockey Club possesses in regard to the Turf. The vast majority of motorists, especially of those who own and drive valuable machines, are scrupulously careful to guard against accidents and they chafe under the discredit and odium brought upon the whole movement by a certain number of vulgar and reckless persons. Whether the legal limit be observed or defied, there is no excuse for going rapidly amongst pedestrian or vehicular traffic, and racing along a public road is an offence which must be summarily suppressed. The remedy lies, not in general denunciations of a movement which evidently has a great future before it, but in making use of the facilities offered by the best class of motorists for assisting the law, and for reaching offenders who have just managed not to bring themselves within the four corners of the Act.

THE KRUPP WORKS.

THERE must be a large number of people who although they have heard of the famous Krupp Works have but a dim idea of their importance and magnitude. A firm which employs nearly 150,000 souls is worthy of the attention of all who are interested in industrial development, and many will read with pleasure the excellent and well-illustrated account of the great works given by M. Emile Guarini in the April number of Cassier's Magazine. The article should be read in connexion with one in the same magazine for February 1903, in which a detailed description is given of what the Krupp firm has done for the welfare of their employees. But the article in the current number confines its attention to the works proper, which are composed of eight different groups—the steel works at Essen and the testing-field at Meppen, the steel works at Annen, the Gruson works at Buckau, the newly acquired Germania dockyard at Kiel, the dockyard at Rotterdam, coal-mines, iron-mines blast furnaces at various places, and so on. The whole system is controlled by a board of twelve directors. The magnitude of the works at Essen may be gathered from a few figures. The sixty departments contain more than 5,000 machines tools 141 steam hammers, presses of 7,000 5,000 and 2,000 tons respectively, over 500 steam-engines with an aggregate of more than 40 000 horse-power and nearly 600 cranes. The coal bill is for more than a million and a half tons per annum; the water used amounts to over 4,000 000,000 gallons a year; and the annual consumption of gas for lighting purposes is more than 500 000,000 cubic feet. There are three generating and seven distributing stations in the electrical equipment, which includes fifty miles of cables about 10,000 incandescent lamps, and nearly 400 motors. There are over eighty miles of railway line, with nearly 2,000 carriages, fifty trains travelling to main-line stations every day. The testing-field at Meppen is fifteen miles long and three wide. In experiments on this field some 250 guns are used every year, expending 90 000lb. of smokeless powder and 700 000lb. of projectiles. In the great dockyard at Kiel are seven completed shipbuilding docks, to which five more are to be added. We must refer the reader to the article for further details as to these remarkable works which have risen from small beginnings, guided by genius and aided by circumstances until they rival any thing of the kind in either hemisphere.

CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS.

THE current number of the "Lancet" refers to the epidemic of cerebral-spinal fever which occurred in Dublin in the years 1806-07, and its conclusion then as to the nature and the character of the disease. Sixty-three fatal cases occurred in Dublin, and it was held by some medical men that the disease was but a variety of typhus fever. This view was not supported by Dr. (afterwards Sir William) Jenner and other eminent medical men; and the conclusion arrived at by the "Lancet" was that the Dublin disease was the epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis of Continental and American writers a view in which Dr. (now Sir John) Burdon Sanderson, who had investigated the outbreak of the disease at Dantzig in the two previous years concurred. The study of the cases is nowadays rendered simpler by bacteriological investigation, which adds the "Lancet," seems to have substantiated the view that epedimic cerebro-spinal fever is a primary meningitis and a disease sui generis" due to the definite organism of Weichselbaum, although it must be admitted that a primary meningitis due to the pneumococcus does exist and may possibly occur in epidemic form.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	Death from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	3	0	4
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri.....	11	10	19
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fannaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	17	11	20
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	6	4	10
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada.....	19	16	41
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	5	5	9
G Mahim and Worli	14	12	23
Water Division	1	0	0
North-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	5	7
Total...	75	63	133
Total plague deaths to date...291	249	240,290	
Same date last year	23	18	88

SMALL-POX.

Attacks.	Deaths.
6	6

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HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

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There is a remarkable parallel to the theft of Napoleon relics from the Liverpool Museum in a similar theft from the Birmingham Art Gallery committed seven years ago. In that case the booty was jewelled relics of some pre-Mutiny Indian princes. These were kept, like the Napoleon treasures at Liverpool in a glass case in the most frequented of all the galleries and on the ground floor, which was patrolled by policemen and overlooked by a gallery. The top of the exhibition case was not locked as at Liverpool but screwed down to the pedestal, and the task of withdrawing the screws was regarded at the time as a singularly audacious piece of thieves' work. It is curious that at Liverpool the Napoleon relics only were taken, and other jewels in the same case left untouched. So it was at Birminingham, A Nizam's turban headed with large pearls intrinsically the richest prize in the collection was left behind. Birmingham never solved the mystery of the robbey, and the offer of large rewards failed to bring the return of the treasures.

In German Lorraine also they have black lists of inveterate drunkards and a pleasant story of the working of the law comes from the Commune of Boulay. Count Rzewuski, the sub-prefect, was recently making an official round of visits in a a carriage, accompanied by his secretary. Stopping at an inn, they ordered two glasses of kirsch. The landlady hesitated, went outside and spoke to the coachman, and, returning, brought only one glass, which she offered to the secretary, at the same time telling the sub-prefect that she was very sorry to be unable to serve him. He inquired the reason. "You are the sub-prefect, Count Rzewuski, are you not? It is useless to deny it, for your coachman has already admitted it." "I am. What of it?" "Only that your name is included in the black list. I don't want to get into trouble." Fetching the document she showed the amazed official that his name did indeed appear at the bottom of the list—being his signature authorising the document.

A French writer declares that the famous John Hetherington, far from being the inventor of the top hat, was only adopting a fashion dating from centuries gone by, and therefore the recent statements in the English press as to the centenary of the "topper" falling due on April 18 last are entirely erroneous. The history of the tall hat, it appears, commences with the Assyrians, but coming to more recent history, the Flemish peasants of the 15th century wore hats which were but little removed in shape from those now worn as may be seen by reference to the paintings of Flemmish and Dutch old masters. The French Huguenots of the 16th century wore hats of the same character, and King Henry of Navarre himself, wore one—known irreverently as "the butter-pot." Made out of silk, it flourished in Florence in 1700. Thence it was introduced to France by a certain Sieur Prevot, a master hatter of Paris, and it was from Paris that Hatherington introduced it to the astounded Cockneys, Hatherington, therefore, was not himself guilty of the crime; he was merely an accomplice after the the fact.

The present international dispute over Morocco recalls an amusing story of which a certain famous French Conjurer was the hero—or victim. He was paying a professional visit to Fez by the invitation of the Sultan—one of the predecessors of His present Majesty Abd-el-Aziz—and his success was prodigious. His most sensational trick was to take two pigeons, one black and the other white and cut off their heads and then fix them on again, the black head on the white pigeon and vice versa. This done, he released them and allowed them to fly about the room. The Sultan was delighted, and called to one of his attendants, giving him an order in a low voice. In a few minutes two slaves were introduced, one black and one white. With a gracious bow the Sultan ordered the conjurer to repeat his performance using the slaves instead of the pigeons. With the presence of mind of his race, the Frenchman answered that he would be delighted to oblige, but that the appliances which he had used in the pigeons trick were not large enough for operating on human beings. He therefore begged for a delay of three days to prepare other larger ones. The Sultan agreed, but when the day came for the adjourned performance the Frenchman was many miles on his home ward journey.

From a correspondent of the same journal we quote the following eloquent if somewhat florid outburst on the subject of the Rhodes scholars at Oxford:—"Once more the annual drafting out of the various Rhodes scholarship winners has been completed in the Commonwealth. Our choicest morsels of brain and talent have been shipped to England to help work out a deep-laid sheme of Imperialism whereby worn-out Britain's Oxford is rejuvenated with the pick of the various colonies' fresh young blood. It's about time Australia at any rate, realised the way she is being bled by a defunct capitalist's will. The Commonwealth is trying to build up a white-man nation on this immense continent, in this lonely outpost. How can its spare a single one of these young men? . . . They are never likely to come back to us these brilliant young sons that we let go without a murmur or a struggle. Curses on the bandit capitalist's bequest, with its deep-hidden purpose and far-reaching power! . . . The Rhodes scheme taps the life-sap of the country." The writer could hardly be more bitter about it if he were talking of an annual tribute of young men and maidens sent out to feed a modern dragon or Minotaur.

The King's cruise in the Mediterranean has revivied many stories of the Algerine pirates, who until less than a hundred years ago made navigation in the central waters of civilisation unsafe. A curious example. In the early part of the eighteenth century the fear of the Mussulman Corsairs was so great that in the island of Malta even in marriage contracts they had to be taken into account. It was no uncommon thing to find one exception being made in the usual clause of marriage settlements and deeds of entail which forbids most stringently moneys settled on the contracting parties from being diverted to other uses than their immediate purpose, namely, "in case the bridgroom be taken by the infidel" when it should be lawful to use the trust moneys for his ransom.

Romain D'Aurignac, brother of Madame Humbert, who was sentenced to three years imprisonment, will be released on June 14 next having completed his term, if his good conduct allowance be reckoned. Strangely enough, he expresses little desire to leave his prison, giving as his reason that he is perfecting himself in the English language. Permission has been accorded him to allow his hair and beard to grow after May 1, and he will now be also allowed the privilege of reading as many books as he may think desirable to forward his English studies.

There is a famous passage in Herodotus which alleges that when a storm destroyed the bridge constructed by order of Xerxes over the Hellespont the Persian was so enraged that he ordered 300 lashes to be inflicted on the Hellespont and a pair of fetters to be thrown into the sea. It is now suggested by that eminent French antiquary M. Salomon Reinach that the account given by the Greek of this incident is based on a misconception. He contends that what they saw was performance of a ritual intended not to punish but to propriate the god of the waters, the magical operations of the Persians were to secure peaceful weather and the chains were a symbol of the King's desire for an alliance. He thinks that the legend of the ring of Polycrates has also been misinterpreted and finds an analogy to that incident in the old custom of the Doges of Venice of marrying the sea with a ring.

A MARRIAGE has been arranged and will shortly take place between Mr. P. E. Collen, 15th Sikhs and Miss M. Venour, acting lady-superintendent of the nursing sisters, Rawalpindi, and sister of Major Venour, 18th Vaughan's Rifles F. F.

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THE CHURCH IN RUSSIA.

A STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM.

In the "Contemporary Review" for May, Laicus gives an account of the efforts of the Church in Russia to shake off the bonds of officialdom. The struggle has been one between M. de Witte, whose name will be indissolubly associated with religious liberty in Russia, and M. Pobiedenostseff, who has been able truly and perhaps piously, to say "L'eglise c'est moi." The plea for Church Reform recently presented to the Tsar by the President of the Committee of Ministers is reprinted. In the "National Review" Dr. Dillon gives a vivid account of the persecution to which the dissenter has been subjected in Russia. He says:—To be a nonconformist in Russia is to strive after a martyr's crown, and to suffer the fate of a felon. And by nonconformists is here meant not a body which differs from the State Church as widely as our Methodists differ from the Church of England, but a community whose faith is more nearly allied with Orthodoxy than are the doctrines and liturgy of the Anglican Low Church with those of the Anglican High Church. And refined cruelty is as much a mark of the persecution carried on by Church and State as petty spite; the usual features of odium theologicum. Indeed some of the details of this one-sided and unequal struggle are calculated to kindle a blaze of indignation in those who come near enough to see and understand. . . . The family relations of the Old Believers, and other nonconformists who number many millions, are regulated by official records kept by the police. Only persons registered in these books as dissenters can marry other persons who are also officially registered as dissenters. But an individual who became a nonconformist, say, five or ten years ago, and is not on the books or a person whose name should be there but was kept out by the police for interested objects, cannot marry a dissenter. They may wed each other, and the union may be blessed by their priests with all the solemnities prescribed by the Church. But the almighty policeman comes forward some day with his veto, and whole families are ruined. The wives are declared by the administration to be concubines, and the children are illegitimate. The religious status, then, of the Old Believers, of dissenters from Orthodoxy in general so far as it depends upon the Government, is very much worse than that of the Kalmucks, the Tartars, the Kirghises, and the Iron of northern semi-savages. Yet the dissenters are in all essential respects orthodox and Russian. But the autocracy needs absolute subserviency. It wants men's souls in order the better to dispose of their bodies. Hence it refuses to spare its own people. And if they do these iniquitous things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? The other sectarians, those who set aside the dogmas, ignore the liturgy, reject the tradition of the State Church, and take the Gospel as their rule of faith, are a band of traitors in the eyes of the law, and an army of venerable martyrs in the sight of their co-religionists. For the evangelical sects are persecuted with fanatical ingenuity by the unscrupulous men whose interests regulate the consciences, and whose meddling breaks up the lives of a large section of the Russian people. In sober truth, they are put wholly outside such vestiges of law as obtain in the Tsardom. The most highly respected newspaper in Russia unhesitatingly affirms that the measures enforced against these sectarians are characterised by repression of a kind which is inconceivable in any cultured State of Europe. Hang first and try afterwards is the principle on which the authorities go to work with the evangelical sects. Supress at sight and investigate at leisure is a summary of their method. The Law of May 1883 allowed them to have prayer halls on the same footing as the old Believers and it also implicitly permitted members of the Orthodox Church to join their community. But in reality hard labour, banishment to a bleak wilderness with a deadly climate and loss of the custody of the children, were among the punishments that awaited the man or woman who quite Orthodoxy for Evangelical Christianity even after that law. The Stundists especially a sort of Baptists, are on the blackest books of the Imperial Government. Some idea of the great step taken by the Tsar is afforded by Dr. Dillon's statement that disbelief in Church matters is disloyalty in politics and that consequently reforms may be played with but cannot granted.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury Calcutta, 20th May, 1905.

The weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills:—

1	Amount to be remitted during 1905-6.....	£16,500,000
2	Remitted from 1st April 1905 to 20th May 1905 by Council Bills.....	£2,916,160
	By Gold ...	Nil
3	Balance to be remitted from 21st May 1905 to 31st March 1906.....	£13,583,840

VERY few plain stations can show a record like Pindi, which, owing to a succession of thunderstorms and dust-storms, has enjoyed a day-temperature of about 80°. At night, and in the early morning, it is much less, touching 54° at 6 a.m. and dropping to 51° during the night. This is wonderful for the latter end of May.

THE Liberal Deputies and Senators and civil councillors of Antwerp met at the Hotel de Ville to discuss the scheme of the great maritime works on the Scheldt, for which the Minister of Finance will ask for a preliminary credit of 20,000,000 francs at the meeting of the Chambers. The Liberal representatives of Antwerp have decided to support the Ministerial Bill in its entirety.

IN the Punjab, there are still several districts reporting over 2,000 deaths a week, to say nothing of the Lahore District's figures which have mounted up by nearly 700 in the last week to the very high total of 3 893 deaths. Other districts with ahigh mortality are: Jullundur, 2,707; Ludhiana, 2,56; Amritsar, 2,169; Rohtak, 2,128; Gujranwala, 2,072; Gujrat, 1,753; and Gurdaspur, 1,695.

DEBTS of the intellect are seldom paid, unless it be in kind, and least of all when the obligation is international. The Paris art schools have long been pre-eminent in the world for the number of young artists who flock to them for training from other countries and the influence of France upon modern art of the world has been correspondingly marked. Here, perhaps, French art may perceive its most precious reward. Still there are other tangible forms of acknowledgment and a notable expression of practical gratitude comes from America whose students are probably more indebted to French teaching than any others. Recognising this fact, Mr. Stillman, a wealthy banker of New York, has handed to the Paris School of Fine Arts the sum of £20,000 of which the interest is to be used as prizes strictly reserved for students of French nationality.

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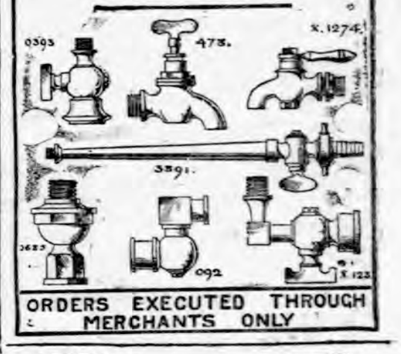

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M. A. P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

LONDON, MAY 6.

Everyone was positive that Mr. Lewis Waller would prove a handsome and intelligent Romeo but few even dreamed he would make so good a lover. Not one among his many 'costume' characters hinted at the possibility of the Romeo he gives us at the Imperial—a Romeo wanting in only one particular: the appearance of youthfulness, or rather, boyishness. Romeo and Juliet were boy and girl, and as it is said of Juliet that no actress young enough to look like her will ever have sufficient knowledge to play her, so it may be doubted if we shall ever have an actor in the part of Romeo who is young enough for Shakespeare's text and old enough for the requirements of the dramatic critic, unprofessional as well as professional. The only way to get a thoroughly satisfactory Romeo would be to take Mr. Henry Ainly and stuff him with the knowledge and experience of Mr. Lewis Waller. But this speculation upon the impossible means only an aggravating delay of gratitude for the splendid qualities of the Romeo at the Imperial, who is picturesque beyond description, most tenderly passionate of utterance, graceful with the grace of nobility, and profoundly in love from beginning to end.

It is well for the stage that Miss Evelyn Millard when she married the wealthy Mr. Coulter, did not forsake the art in which she was given then so well advanced. She is one of our most capable actresses of the serious type and if she had ceased being Miss Millard on the stage when she became Mrs. Coulter off it, we should have missed the pleasure of seeing the beautiful Juliet which is so fitting a companion to Mr. Waller's fine Romeo. In the tragic scene by the tomb Miss Millard is remarkably good, and her tenderness in the love passages is delightfully real. It is likely that the actress, so at home is she in the part had a close academic acquaintance with it when under the tuition of her father a famous teacher of elocution. But whether she has known Juliet for a long time or only recently taken her to her bosom it is certain that she has a very complete understanding of the character and that she renders the lines and the moods of the heroine with the fullest appreciation of their value.

And yet, though Miss Millard's is more of a womanly than a girlish Juliet (just as Mr Waller's is more of a manly than a boyish Romeo), she brings plenty of the charm of simplicity and freshness to soften the technique in which she shines. The lines giving Juliet's very tender age are left out of the Imperial version. This settles a very important question with regard to Juliet as an acting part—at least, it settles it in the minds of some. But there may be others. It is to be feared, who will look upon this idea of Juliet made easy rather in the same way that musicians look upon the new simplified method of playing the piano! However, the dramatic critics are themselves to blame, if blame is for anyone, for this removal of the age difficulty at the Imperial. For years they have been declaring that no actress understands how to play Juliet until she is old enough to appear as the Nurse. Very well, then' says Mr. Lewis Waller in this day of innovation and new reading, and what not, we'll make Juliet a woman and Romeo a man, and the play should be quite as interesting. And it is!

While Mr. Lewis Waller and Miss Evelyn Millard were experimenting with a new Romeo and a new Juliet at the Imperial Theatre, Miss Ethel Irving was trying her weight or rather, her lightness, in a new line at the Criterion. Miss Irving has left musical comedy for farcical comedy adopted from the French, somewhat after the same manner as Miss Marie Tempest, and all who saw her make the change for the first time in public are agreed that the latter department is the gainer by it. The play this pretty young actress has chosen for her season at the Criterion is of an extremely lively character. Pamela, a young lady of nineteen (and Miss Irving looks no more) has married the Hon. Raymond Pardue apparently for the reason that this young man desires her money, or a large proportion of it, for carrying on his dissipations free from the anxieties of a limited purse. The understanding is that after the marriage she is to go her way and he is to go his. And he does go it! Chorus girls of a painfully low type enter into his life in large numbers and while he is contemplating going off to America, with one named Maisie Mordaunt, Pamela is arranging to elope with a stage fool called Puff Puff. But Pamela and Pardue fall in love with each other while she is packing up her things to depart, so that when Puff-Puff calls to fetch the other man's bride, he is given to understand that he is not wanted. This is a very bare outline of things, but it is practically what the story amounts to.

'What Pamela Wanted' is hardly the sort of play that Miss Ethel Irving's admirers can like her to have. She is so dainty a comedienne, and there is such a little daintiness in the piece to go with her. Still, the Criterion was the home of Pink Dominos! Miss Irving made her first appearance in an important part (Molly in The Geisha) seven years ago at the Coronet, and was an instant success. Her prettiness was not more admired than her cleverness and Mr. George Edwardes who is always in the look-out for both in fairly equal quantities, did not waste much time in securing her for his "first companies" on tour, with the view of shaping her for Daly's Theatre. Miss Irving on her side, did not waste much time in 'shaping' for in a few months she was up at the houses in Cranbourn Street playing a principal part. A long spell of success under Mr. George Edwardes's management brought her to the consideration of work unadorned by the composers of little music, and a little over a year ago she parted company with Mr. Edwardes with the idea of appearing in a comedy which was to be provided by another manager, but which, unfortunately for her, was not forthcoming.

Miss Irving then went back to musical comedy for a while, the piece being "Sergeant Brue" the theatre the Strand and the manager Mr. Frank Curzon. But the return visit to the realms of the "additional number" was a very short one, in spite of the fact that it meant two separate engagements in two separate musical comedies. In "Sergeant Brue" Miss Irving remained for about a couple of weeks; in "Ladyland" at the Avenue for not much more than a couple of days, the Eustace Ponsonby-Frank Lambert production being withdrawn from stage almost before the socially distinguished author and the brilliant composer had properly realised that it had been put on. Between "Ladyland" and "What Pamela Wanted" the plucky young actress appeared with conspicuous success in the Mermaid Society's two revivals of Congreve's 'Way of the World" and in the Stage Society's production of "The Three Daughters of M. Dupont." And now Miss Ethel Irving is a full blown actress-manageress, and what she wants is not "What Pamela Wanted," but a pretty comedy for the showing off of a distinctly pretty talent. Will not some English dramatist oblige her?

Alas, how soon is one's good work forgotten—on earth. A contemporary announces that Miss Rosina Filippi the actress is about to try her hand as a dramatist. This is in reference to the clever lady's coming matinees at the Court Theatre, where she is presenting plays from her own pen. Miss Filippi has been trying her hand as a dramatist for some considerable time now, and not by any means without success. On the occasion of the Jennie Lee ("Jo") benefit at the Prince of Wales's Theatre, one of the most enjoyable items of the programme was her little play 'An Idyll of seven Dials' acted by Mr. Fuller Mellish and Miss M. de Silva (Mrs. Martin Harvey). A companion picture to this, though of a different nationality and far more serious tone, was Miss Filippi's small but very strong drama in the Italian Quarter, which for some time was played as a front piece at the Vaudeville. Then there was an American Widow, produced by no less an actor-manager than Sir Charles Wyndham; and patrons of the Criterion will not have forgotten (at least some of them may not) her little piece, The Mirror.' And was it not Miss Rosina Filippi who made a play out of Jane Austen's novel, "Pride and Prejudice,' and calling it 'The Bennetts,' produced it five or six years ago at the Court Theatre? For her matinees on the 15th and the 29th Miss Filippi will present her two latest works, Belinda and Tableaux from Dante respectively; and it is satisfactory to know that several of the seats for these days have already been subscribed for.

'Her Own Way,' the Clyde Fitch play with which Miss Maxine Elliott has started her necessarily short season at the Lyric (for Mr. Martin Harvey will soon be seen here in the character of Hamlet), is one of those pre-obvious stories of love which used to be speculated in some years ago in the hope that they might introduce to the world a new Robertson, or at the least a new Albery. It is very sweet and simple, like the late Corney Grain's Mr. Justice Dimple,' for it begins with a nurseryful of children and proceeds with a separation of lovers on a misunderstanding which in the ordinary off-the-stage way could have been, would have been, cleared up with three words and a kiss; and there is in its list of characters our old friend the heroine's young brother who sits despairingly about on the chairs with his head down and his fingers interlocked, because he has lost the family fortunes in rush and hazardous speculation, and is beholden, or could be if he chose, to the rich rival of the hero for substantial financial assistance, which the rival offers to the family if only the young soapegrace's sister Georgina will marry him as a token of her gratitude. But the gallant hero returns from the wars in time to marry the girl he left behind him himself which serves both as a hapy ending to the story, and a reliable contradiction to the inevitable rumour that he had been killed by the enemy.

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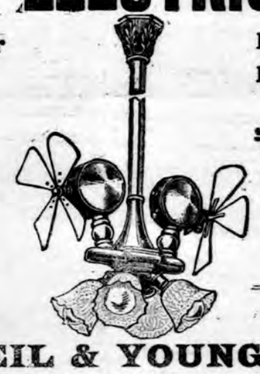

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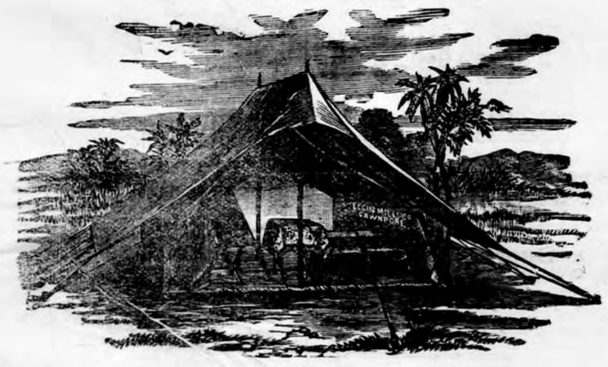

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